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of the

NICKEY FAMILY

in AMERICA

1700 A.D. - 1940 A.D.

With Genealogical Tables for Eight Generations

Developed from the researches of thirty years

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Abbreviations Used

ae. (aetat)	age
b.	born
d.	died
d.y.	died in youth
m.	married
Div.	Division

Explanation

Black face numbers are reserved for Nickey men who marry. These numbers appear, first, in standard arabic type before the name in the list of children under their father, previous generation. Turn back to this for the father.

Nickey daughters who marry have a complete lineage of their descendants set under their name where it appears in the list of their father. These descendants are indexed in the "Other Names" Index. All daughters are indexed in the "Nickey Index."

An unusual device has been used for numbering additional pages which must be set in for Nickey Families who were discovered after this book was paged, indexed, and regarded as completed. This device numbers a page, then puts in additional pages of the same number with the index a, b, c. For example, additional pages may follow 164 by being numbered 164a, 164b, 164c, etc., ad lib. This simple device avoids the tremendous burden of re-paging and re-indexing the entire book.



1806

1742

THE THREE CHURCHES

Bethlehem, Penna.



WHITEFIELD HOUSE, NAZARETH, PA.



Blid vom Hutergrund die Lausche (phot. LEH)
View of Herrnhut, Saxony.

FOREWORD

To be born on the fiftieth birthday of one's grandfather is a pleasant distinction. This honor came to me. The pleasure is doubled when the grandfather is pleased by the joint-birthday and calls attention to it by some token, no matter how small.

My grandfather, Jacob Nickey, of the Fourth Generation, Division One, of the Nickey Family, in America, was pleased to have me share his birthday, although he had many grandchildren, all of whom he regarded as if they were his children.

This joint-birthday gave me from childhood an attitude toward my ancestral kin that made me wish to know all of my grandparents, of whom Jacob Nickey was the only surviving one when I was born.

In this I was different from Jacob Nickey, himself. However, this desire to know more of my grandparents, and of their origins, was retarded because I was born into the second stage of a pioneering generation, who were all looking ahead in order to establish themselves better, with no thought of background, in their democratic environment. They worked hard, and I worked hard, to do my share and earn my bread and butter.

Not until I was completing my college education--which was delayed for the same reason--when I came into a more assured, and assuring teaching position, did I have time to indulge my whim for knowing my ancestors.

At first I did research in this line as a fancy, out of "family-feeling". But, as my collection of data was increased, and the money spent in this way was increased, I became seriously interested. I began to feel that the data was valuable, a history of one Family's contribution to the development of these United States of America from Colonial times.

Thanks to this college education, I was able to read and write the German language. Reading, one day, about the historic Moravian cemetery

adjoining the cloisters at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, I was astounded to see in the record of burial in the little girls' row, the names "Elizabeth Nicke," and Joanna E. Nicke" and the note "their father was Georg Nicke, pastor at Tulpehocken." Then, in the German language, I opened correspondence with the ARCHIV der BRUDER UNITAT at Herrnhut, Saxony, (founded in 1765) to get the history of this Georg Nicke, of Bethlehem. These brothers answered very promptly, and carried on several painstaking researches for me, in their own archives and at Reichenbach, the home-town of Georg Niecke and his wife Johanna E. Their reports, good, because they could work in their own tongue, I have translated, and the substance is set down in the History of Georg Niecke, the Founder. It is a story different from that of any other American Colonist I have read of.

I regretted that Jacob Nickey did not know his grandfather's name.

That was a distinct loss to him, for his grandfather, David Nickey, was a remarkable man, and had had a remarkable career, as you will see when you read it. That he did not know of the remarkable life of his grandfather David, or of his great grandfather, Georg Niecke, was a distinct loss to me also, and to all of his other grandchildren.

The young have a right to know their ancestry. It is desirable that they should know, that they may be the better citizens. It has often been quoted: "He who desireth not to know whence he came, careth not whither he goeth."

In order that the present generation of Nickeys and those to come, may know that my History of the Nickey Family in America is authentic, and reliable, I have documented it, and labeled the sources, step by step.

The story of Georg Niecke and his wife who became infatuated with the teachings of the Moravians whose Headquarters, "Herrnhut" sprang up near their home-town, Reichenbach, in Saxony, is related in chronological order, showing how they became enmeshed in the noble but impractical theories of this great religious "Movement," and then, slowly, disillusioned under American Colonial hardships.

Added to the Chronicle of Georg and Johanna Eleanora (Donath) Niecke are sketches of their three sons, DAVID, JOHN, and GEORGE, who founded the Three Divisions, respectively, of

The Nickey Family in America.

Other sketches, of other outstanding men or women in the family, have been set in their respective Divisions and Generations. These are sometimes brief, or more extensive, as the data was available. All affiliations, lodges, churches, fraternities, and associations have been limited to those which are National.

The Genealogical Tables are arranged according to the most approved pattern of Family genealogies. They are brought down through eight generations. They introduce Richard Allen Nickey, who heads the procession in the ninth generation of Nickeys, and Carol Lee Humbarger, Kent LeRoy Humbarger, and Jerry Lee Walker, boys of the ninth generation of Nickeys who bear other names.

Bowing out, I thank all Nickey Families from Atlantic to Pacific for their gracious co-operation in giving me their genealogical data, and for their all-too-modest statements of their interests, occupations, and achievements.

Sincerely yours,

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INTRODUCTION

GEORG NIECKE, Moravian Missionary

Georg Niecke and his dauntless wife, Johanna Eleonore Donath, were founders of the Nickey Family in the United States. Their feet first felt the solid ground of America under them on bleak November 26, 1743, when they left the small sailing vessel, "Little Strength" anchored off Long Island, after ten weeks of rough weather in crossing the Atlantic from Rotterdam.

The eighth and ninth generations of the Nickey Family, enjoying the conveniences of the automobile, oil-burner, telephone, and radio, who cross to Europe in less than five days in a sea-going palace, are not inclined to waste time worrying about the unbelievable endurance test, physical and mental, made by these Founders, when, in 1743, they set out to act as missionary pastor and helper to the needy pioneers in Pennsylvania, under direct orders of the Moravian Church at Herrnhut, Saxony, the Administrative Seat of this "Economy", so called.

Do the sophisticated Nickeys of the 20th Century, in America, know about the Moravian beginnings? I cannot say. To know imparts rare flavor

In addition, County Histories, Family Records, grave-stones, and personal recollections have brought the story down to the present.

Name spellings vary, to follow the spelling in the records

from which the extracts have been made. The original sources are:

"Archiv der Brüder Unität, Herrnhut, in Sachsen";

The Parish (Lutheran) Church Register, at Riechenbach,

Oberlausitz, Sachsen;

Archives of the Moravian Church, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania;

Records of the Historical Society, Nazareth, Pennsylvania;

County Court Records at Lancaster, and York, Pennsylvania;

County Court Records at Gettysburg, and Carlisle, Pennsylvania;

County Court Records at Frederick, Maryland;

County Court Records at Staunton, Virginia;

County Court Records at Columbia City, Indiana;

Military and Land records at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania,

and in the published "Pennsylvania Archives".

to the story. Why eat mountain trout if one has no perception of its "personality"?

Saxony, at least that part named Upper Lusatia, (Oberlausitz), lies up against the Erz mountains, in Central Europe. In it are the great cities, Leipsig and Dresden, Chemnitz and Meissen; especially Dresden, from which, only 30 miles distant, Herrnhut, Headquarters of the Moravian Church, is reached. This section of Germany has been well in the edge of the spot-light while Herr Hitler was annexing Austria, and the Four Powers were dismembering Czecho-Slovakia.

In Saxony the fine and applied arts are as much a part of everyday life as in Vienna. Dresden is called "the Florence of Germany" and Chemnitz "the Saxon Manchester". Notable industries are cloth-manufacture, brocades, and fine linen, art pottery, gold and silver plate, and kindred articles of an older culture. The masters' gilds were powerful, in Saxony, in the 17th and 18th centuries.

Saxon people are fair-haired Germans. They are tall, slender, and imaginative. Although business was good, there, in the early 1700s, Saxony was more absorbed by thought about religion than by thought about business. All the pietistic "isms" and philosophies that broke out after Luther's Reformation in Germany now upset the settled thinking of noble and bourgeois society, equally. One of the former class was Count Nicholas Ludwig von Zinzindorf, Potterndorf, and Berthelsdorf. One of the latter class was Georg Niecke, master-tailor, and Johanna Eleonore Donath, both of Reichenbach, Upper Lusatia, Saxony, a country town not

^{1.} Encyclopedia Britannica. See "Saxony".

far distant from the Berthelsdorf part of the Count Zinzindorf estate.

The Count was of Austrian lineage². His parents, taking sides with Luther, moved to Dresden and there the Count was born. He was educated in Halle, famous Lutheran educational center. He had as a tutor the philosopher, Spener. He studied law at Wittenberg University. Then he traveled extensively on the Continent. Instead of developing into a socialite, he became a socialist and settled down on his estate to devote himself to the betterment of his tenantry. He installed a scholar and religious man as his Factor. He joined with three other University men in evangelistic work. They were known as "the four brothers" (in American parlance, "The Big Four"). By sermons, journeys, and correspondence they created a revival of religion and from the printing-press at Ebersdorf they issued books, tracts, catechisms, collections of hymns, and cheap Bibles for the education of the people. But Zinzindorf had no intention of founding a church.

One day, Count Zinzindorf, being in Dresden, received a letter from his Factor, telling him that a Moravian refugee, with his family, was on the estate seeking asylum. The refugee was a carpenter, Christian David, who believed the teaching of John Huss. The Count granted that the Factor should allot a piece of wild land near the Hutberg, on the Berthelsdorf estate, to David, and timber to build him a house. The outcome of this tolerance is summed up by the architect Helmut Rudolph in a treatise on the architecture of Herrnhut issued by the Herrnhut Press, 1938, which I translate:

"The carpenter, Christian David felled the first tree to build the Haus am Hutberg', in the nearby forest, Jane 17, 1722. ****** A short time later the rooms of one house were not enough for

^{2.} Encyclopedia Britannica. See "Zinzindorf".

all the people who were arriving, a line of them, wending their way, in haste, from Moravia, Schlessein, and Saxony to grasp the chance for freedom of belief.

"Small house after small house sprang up. The thoughtful consideration of Zinzindorf, by 1724 even, had secured a means of support for the growing Herrnhut through a grant of the Frankish Education Fund at Halle, to build a Preparatory School for young nobles. This was the first building that, in design, construction, and purpose stood out above the others. It carried a Mansard roof and it had an auditorium (Saal) where the young nobles might practice public-speaking and debate.

"When, a short time later, the support of the school had been cut off, and the building turned into an Children's Home, the Great Hall (Saal) was left as an Assembly Room for the Congregation (Gemeine). Here the Community enjoyed itself in song-fest and prayer, thereby becoming a unity.

"Christian David, the carpenter, had work enough. In 1727 there were gathered (at Herrnhut) 300 'Brethren and Sisters' as the spiritual heirs of the Moravian Brethren called each other. Rapidly the number of 'in-dwellers' climbed until in 1760, 1200 were in residence. This level held to the end of the 18th century.

"In five years after the founding, (1727), 34 houses existed. They were small and 'the forest reached right up to the threshold of the dwelling'. In 1750 there were 64 houses. Of these 4 were administrative, 12 were communal structures, and 48 were 'free dwelling-houses' with a few privately owned by the cottagers.

"The first houses were constructed by artisans, simple, without adornment. But after the first decade they were rebuilt with perspective, space, and adornment. One is not able to understand the cultural change that came over these house-servants and linen-weavers (resident-types) in this short time if he does not also understand that, soon after the founding, nobility interested itself in the enterprise and took up residence there. At the laying of the cornerstone of the Great Saal, in 1756, 100 persons of noble rank participated. The trinity of Zinzindorf, Nobility, and Folk, that worked out into a unity as a Brother- and Sister-hood, had blended simple taste with the formal taste of people of rank."

Count Zinzindorf, himself, became the Head of the Institution. He and his splended wife, Erdmute, resided in Herrnhut--when he was not traveling and lecturing. He visited England, France, Holland, and the Estates of friendly Nobles in Germany, where he built up colonies. The English Wesleys, John and Charles, were deeply impressed with the Moravian doctrines, and Zinzindorf left his stamp on the Methodist Episcopal Church, especially

in the practice of evangelical revival, and missionary work. The Count visited the American Colonies in 1739-1741 when he immediately gave his greatest attention to their needs. This led to the organization of the so-called "First Sea-Congregation", a Colony from Herrnhut which built up Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, the American Headquarters of the church. The next year, the so-called "Second-Sea-Congregation" was organized, to occupy Nazareth, Pennsylvania. This second-sea-congregation arrived November 26, 1743, two members of which were Georg Niecke and his wife Johanna Eleonore, the Founders, as well, of the Nickey Family in America.

But one more word, before we list in chronological order the known events in the lives of our ancestral grandparents, searched out from the archives, step by step along their trail from Saxony to their unknown graves in Rapho Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

The Institution at Herrnhut cultivated a quiet type of spiritual life, quaker-like. It sought to minister to the "scattered" and "to sow the seed" in other churches without drawing them into the Moravian "Unitat". The distinctive feature of this Sect is that they were the first Protestants to declare that the evangelization of the heathen was the duty of the Church as such. This fact should be appreciated now, when being "first" in anything is so keenly noted. Accepting this doctrine, the Churches have had a century of mad missionary movements, even to Patagonia and the Canibal Islands.

The Moravians must be measured by their influence on other Churches.

The spirit of the Organization must be grasped to explain the procedure of Georg and Johanna Eleonore Niecke as they were drawn into the religious life at Herrnhut, and thwarted in their pyrotechnic religious abandon--more soberly, their romantic religious idealism--by privation in Pennsylvania.

OFF THE RECORD

Part I

The Nickey Trail To Herrnhut

"The Moravian Brethren (followers of John Huss, burned at the

1457 stake for his religious teachings, 1415) in the first years did not propose to found an independent church, but to foster Apostolic teaching in the National Church, doing what good they might to their surroundings." Encyclopedia Britannica 11th Ed. 1467 "Established their own ministry through the help of the Waldensees." Complete break with the Roman Catholics. Ibid. "Opening of the Thirty Years War marks 150 years of persecution, and disruption." Ibid. 1627 "Every non-Romanist was an out-law." "A general exodus from Moravia. More than 36,000 families go into exile." Ibid. "Comenius (John Amos, 1592-1672) was the last leader of the old Moravian Church. In Sweden, Holland, and England he is famed as a philosopher. Comenius was invited to come to America and be the President of Harvard College." Ibid. 1713 "October 30, 1713, Eleonore Donath was born in Reichenbach, Upper Lusatia, Saxony, a daughter of the master-clothmaker, Johann Christoph

AD

Donath."

"The name of her mother is not given in the baptismal record."

Note added by the Curate of Parish Church, 1938

Seelregister, Parish Church,

(Estab. Luth.), Reichenbach, Saxony

1715

"The native language (Moravian) in the services is displaced by German."

"Hist. of the Moravian Church" Joseph Edmund Hutton, M. A.

1722

"Christian David, a carpenter, refugee from persecution in Moravia, came into contact with the Count of Zinzindorf and Berthelsdorf, Upper Lusatia, Saxony, who was a fervent Lutheran devoting time to religious work. He granted ground and trees for a house to the carpenter, Christian David, near the Hutberg."

Ibid.

"Two brothers, named Neiss, having left Moravia quietly, at night, under the guidance of Christian David, came to the <u>Hutberg</u> (Berthelsdorf). With the permission of the Steward, Factor of Zinzindorf, they felled trees for houses for themselves. This Providence led to the village on the Estate, later named <u>Herrnhut</u>, Headquarters of the new "Moravian Brethren".

Ibid.

1724

"Cornerstone laid for the "Pedagogium" the first Community building at the service of the Church. It was a "Prep" School for sons of nobility. Three teachers and leaders, University men, came to Herrnhut:

David Nitschman John Toltschnig Melchoir Zeisberger

Ibid.

1732

"A negro-slave's tale of woes on the Isle of St. Thomas, West Indies, stirred the Herrnhut Colony. David Nitschman and Leonhard Dober set out to do missionary work there."

Ibid.

1735

"The master-tailor Georg Niecke was united in marriage, June 21,

1735, in Reichenbach, Upper Lusatia (Oberlausitz) Saxony, with Eleonore,

born Donath. Georg Niecke is the son of Johann Niecke of Sohland by

Löbaü, overseer of an estate, der Pachter."

Seelregister, Parish Church, Reichenbach

"It is probable that Georg Niecke was born at Sohland by Lobau.

His birth year is not given in the marriage record. One may suppose

that he was a little older than his wife, and that he was born about 1710.

Herr Träger, Archivist at Herrnhut, 1938

"Reichenbach is a small city in the country between Gorlitz (pop.50,000) and Löbau (pop. 25,000). It belonged, with the whole of Upper Lusatia, to

the Electorate of Saxony. But, after 1815 with a part of Upper
Lusatia it was given to Prussia and the new state, named Schlessein
was set up. Reichenbach has an evangelical Lutheran Parish Church,
and the inhabitants of the city are communicants of it.

Ibid.

"Sohland by Löbau (popularly called 'Sohland by Rotstein' to tell it from another Sohland) is a large farmers' market town stretching along the base of the beautiful, forested mountain Rothstein (Redstone). There is an established church in Sohland. Many fine estates of the nobility exist in this region. It may be concluded that der Pachter, Johann Niecke, was either the lessee of one of these, or that as farm-manager for the nobleman-owner, he took the title 'Pachter', which means farmer on a large scale, while 'Bauer' is the word for a small farmer.

Ibid.

"For the rest" concludes the Archivist at Herrnhut, "the village, Sohland, is near to and neighbor of the little city Reichenbach, lying one and a half miles southwest. Sohland still belongs to Saxony. The boundary line between Prussia and Saxony passes directly between Reichenbach and Sohland."

1736 Mch. 15 "Spangenburg (August Gottlieb 1704-1792) starts to Pennsylvania.

He sets out from the Moravian mission in Georgia, with letters from Gov.

Oglethorpe to William Penn. He is a University of Jena man who has
joined the Herrnhut Colony and has been made superintendent of missions
by Count Zinzindorf. In pursuance of this work he is in America. He
selects "The Forks of the Delaware" as a base of activity to the Indians.

Encyc. Brit. 11th Ed. Vol 25, p.593.

OFF THE RECORD

Part II

From Herrnhut To The Forks Of The Delaware

1738-1739

"In the stump of a signed record (1738-1739) are listed as residents of Herrnhut Georg Nicke, tailor, from Reichenbach, his wife Johanna Eleonora, and the child, Johann Georg."

Herrnhut Archives R.6. A. No. 16, 7. 54-55

"In another list of December, 1737 these are not named."

Herr Trager, Archivist at Herrnhut, 1938

"George Niecke, a tailor, appears as a registered resident of

Herrnhut, October 14, 1740 from Reichenbach, and his wife Johanna

Eleonora, with his child Johann Georg 4 years old."

Archives R.6. Aa. No. 45 a

1740

From the Birth Records at Herrnhut:

"Gottfried Niecke, son of Georg and Johanna Eleonora Niecke, is born on February 28, 1740, at Herrnhut, and on May 28, 1740 died."

"David Niecke, son of Georg and Johanna Eleonora Niecke, is born

September 2, 1741, at Herrnhut."

Herr Träger, Archivist at Herrnhut, 1938

"Further records of the family of Georg Niecke" adds Herr Träger,

"are not held in the Church Book of Herrnhut." But it must be accepted

by his American Descendants, that according to family traditions from

many places, another child was born to Georg and Johanna Eleonora Niecke

before they entered the Colony at Herrnhut, 1738-1739. This was the son,

Henry, who died at sea, 1769, when he accompanied John and David Niecke,

his brothers, to America. Henry was an infant in 1738-1739. Whether

he was adopted by his grandparents, on either side, to give Johanna

Eleonora and her husband, Georg, liberty to follow their religious inclination, or whether, as an infant, he was taken into the Herrnhut home for Infant Children and so, not registered as a resident of the Niecke Family one will never know. The name "Henry" was given his nephews and grand-nephews later in memory of him. But the Henry Nickeys of later date do not live out their thirties either.

1740 May "The first settlement of Moravian Colonists was made in "The Forks of the Deleware". The land was acquired by Count Zinzindorf, who was in America, now. It was named 'The Bethlehem Barony'."

1740

"A part of the tract acquired was reserved, and later named 'The Nazareth Barony'."

"A History of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania" J. M. Levering, Pres. of the Moravian Hist. Soc.

1740 April 13 Moravians from Savannah, Georgia to Bethlehem Barony, Pennsylvania, in his sloop 'Savannah'. These were: Peter Boehler, David and Rosina Zeisberger, and their son David a lad of 16 when he arrived at Savannah in August 1737, to the great astonishment of his parents. He and a youthful companion, John Michael Schober, had fled from the Moravian School for Boys at Herrndyk, in Holland, on account of harsh treatment; made their way to London, and from there across the Ocean to Savannah. Young David Zeisberger became the distinguished missionary to the Indians. Young Schober died at Savannah not long after their arrival. The remaining persons taken to Bethlehem Barony by George Whitefield were two 'indentured' lads, probably orphans, and a woman teacher Johanna Hummel."

Ibid.

1740

"In this year Spangenberg (later the Bishop) David Nitschman, and George Whitefield visited Herrnhut, Saxony, urging that preachers be sent to the German People of Pennsylvania."

Ibid.

1740

"Thereupon the 'First-Sea-Congregation', so called, a colony of Moravian Brethren and Sisters from Herrnhut to go to the Bethlehem Barony in Pennsylvania was gradually formed." Georg and Johanna Eleonora Niecke may have entertained a desire to join this colony to cross the sea to America, for little Gottfried was dead. But her pregnancy for David, who was born September 2, 1741, probably thwarted this plan.

"This 'First sea-gemeine' was to consist of young married couples and single men. Especially were they to be of well-tested Christian character and spiritual enthusiasm, who would be not only salt among the people where they located, but available, each one, in some way in the propaganda of the Gospel----distinctly understood to be the main purpose for which the Settlement was being founded."

Ibid.

"Their leaders were all University men. All the colonists, selected, had had some schooling.

"The hand-crafts, and lines of experience in practical life, weaving, masonry, nursing, carpentry, joinery, tailoring were represented.

Ibid.

1741 December

1742

"The selection was complete in December 1741. After important interviews with the Heads of the Church in Europe, they set forth, as pilgrims, on foot, for Rotterdam, which they reached February 9, 1742, --22 married couples, two single men. From Rotterdam they crossed to London, where on February 26, 1742, they drew up the papers and signed the compact of this First-sea-congregation to Bethlehem. Peter Boehler, and his new wife, an English woman, Elizabeth Hopson, were their leaders."

Ibid.

"An English vessel, the snow, "Catherine", was chartered, and on March 16, 1742 they sailed. On Sunday morning, June 7, 1742, they arrived in Philadelphia and anchored in the Delaware. Count Zinzindorf, who was preaching in the Lutheran Church in Philadelphia, after the service was finished, went on board to greet them. The Colony, later, went to Germantown, from where most of them walked to Bethlehem."

Ibid. p. 106 et. al.

1742

"Meantime the 'Second-Sea-Congregation' was being organized, to go across the Ocean to occupy the Nazareth Barony, where a pioneer group of Brethren had made a beginning, and where the foundations of a fine Community House, named for George Whitefield, 'Whitefield House', were already in." This time Georg and Johanna Eleonora Niecke could consider going, for baby David was born, and the Herrnhut Colony would rear him, and educate him, at least to some trade, so that their missionaries might go forth to labor in living conditions too severe for infants. The missionary fever probably set as hard on Johanna Eleonora as on Georg Nickey."

1743

"This second colony, on foot, reached Rotterdam in August 1743, composed of 33 young couples. Of these 24 couples had been married, all in one ceremony, called 'the great wedding', at Marienborn, on May 27." Nine couples had registered out from Herrnhut, among whom were Georg and Johanna Eleonora, but not baby David now 21 months old, nor Johan Georg, nor Henry Niecke, their sons."

1743

"The children born here (in Saxony) must have remained in Germany.

For, in the official list of the "second-sea-congregation", 1743, no children of the wedded pair, Niecke, are named. The son, David, lived on at Herrnhut according to the Official List of Children at Herrnhut, 1748; in an official list of 1757 we no longer can find his name. Since he did not die at Herrnhut, it is to be taken that he was transferred to some other Brothers' Group, or School, to learn a hand-craft under some thorough, though harsh Master. As to where the four-year-old Johann George Niecke (1740) stayed we have ascertained absolutely nothing. He certainly did not die at Herrnhut, nor did he accompany his parents to America."

Herr Träger, Archivist, Herrnhut, 1938

This brave little figure, Johann Georg Niecke, the eldest son of Georg and Eleonore (Donath) Niecke, now seven when his parents left Herrnhut on a July day, 1743, on foot, for Rotterdam, is lost to his parents, and to us. In his Last Will and Testament, later, in Pennsylvania, Georg Niecke names David as his eldest son.

1743

"In the second-sea-congregation, so called, a few were well educated.

They were mostly artisans. Some of the educated became regularly ordained

ministers." e.g. Georg Niecke.

"History of Bethlehem Pennsylvania"
by J. M. Levering

"Their chartered vessel, "Little Strength", Captain Garrison, sailed out of Rotterdam September 16, 1743, called at Cowes September 25, 1743, and reached Long Island, New York, November 26, 1743. On the next day, 30 couples, having disembarked, started to walk to Bethlehem, though worn out with the arduous and uncomfortable voyage. The rest, too sick to walk, were conveyed by a wagon sent from Bethlehem to make arrangements and guide the voyageurs.

"The pilgrimage required three days. 'The Bethlehem Brethren served the weary pilgrims, bathed their galled and weary feet; after which a love feast was held in the Chapel.' Peter Boehler was then in

1744
Jane and
Febe

charge at Bethlehem. The heavy luggage was transported by water to New Brunswick, N. J. from where it was conveyed by wagon to Nazareth, in January and February 1744. In this heavy luggage was a spinet for Bethlehem, and a portable organ."

Ibid.

1744 March 1 "In 1744 there were two General Synods, one at Oley, Berks County,
Pennsylvania, in March, and the other at Heidelberg in November. At the
former, George Nieke, pastor-elect of the Lutheran (sic) church at
Tulpehocken, was ordained by Peter Boehler as Lutheran superintendent.
Peter Boehler was not yet a bishop of the Moravian Church, and consequently
this ordination must be viewed as a bona fide Lutheran ordination."

Reichel's "History of the Moravian Church 1734-1748"

"Now the ministers adhering to the agreements of the so-called Pennsylvania Synod might be Moravian, Lutheran, Reformed, or even if they desired, be Episcopalians, Presbyterians, or other denominational affiliations. This accounts for the employment of such men as Nieke, Reincke, Lischy and many others."

The Rev. G. M. Schultz, AM. Librarian, Nazareth, 1938

"The very genius of the history of the Moravian church must be understood to fully appreciate this arrangement. The Moravians were interested only in the evangelization of the country--not in the building up of a

^{3.} Tulpehocken was a settlement (now in Jefferson Township
Berks County), made in 1723, by thirty-three Palatine families,
who had been robbed of their holdings in Schoharrie, New York State,
by land-sharks, and who moved south into the valley of Tulpehocken
Creek in Penn's Colony. They organized a Lutheran Congregation
and by 1725 had a log church which was served by traveling missionary
pastors. The Indian Agent and Interpreter, Conrad Weiser, resided
in this Colony, though not a confirmed Lutheran until ten years later.
In between 1740 and 1742 this church was disturbed by "liberal teaching",

separate denomination, or the preaching of any "ism". The very idea, centuries ahead of the times, was not fully grasped by most of the dwellers of the State at the time."

Ibid.

"Nieke was, therefore, pastor of the Lutheran congregation at Tulpehocken--for about a year or two."

Ibid.

"George Nieke served the union church at Tulpehocken from March 1, June 17 1744, to June 17th, 1745. He was then recalled to Bethlehem."

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"Nieke, Elizabeth, 1745. Her father was pastor of the Lutheran Church at Tulpehocken. Pa."

"Nieke, Joanna E., 1744-1746, oldest child of Rev. Geo. Nieke. Died of small-pox."

Proceedings of the Penna. German Society, Vol. 21, pp. 62, 63

1743

called 'the Count Zinzindorf Confusion' by orthodox Lutherans. The Lutheran pastor, in 1743, Casper Stoever, had been publicly deposed, while the Zinzindorf and Moravian influence remained dominant. At the same time the church building was rebuilt and redecorated.

It was at this period that Georg Nieke was sent to the Tulpehocken Church as pastor. By making 20 miles a day on horseback, or by wagon, the trip required two days. Since the deposed Rev. Casper Stoever was busily building the new Christ's Lutheran Church for the "disaffected minority" not far away, it may be guessed that he kept the quarrel at Tulpehocken hot.

- 4. Either the infant girl Joanna E. Nieke was born shortly after Georg Nieke took up his pastorate at Tulpehocken, or was a mere child-in-arms when they went there. Certain it is that within the year 1745, another little girl was born to them, named Elizabeth, and died. Then in an attack of small-pox the eldest of the girl babes died---let us hope they were back at Bethlehem when this calamity overtook them.
- ** "Attention should be drawn"—says the Rev. Theodore E. Schmauk, in his history, "The Lutherans in Pennsylvania"—

1745

Before Georg Nieke had been in charge a year at Tulpehocken, the young and able Dr. Henry Melchoir Muhlenberg, the Missionary Superintendent of the Lutheran Churches in Pennsylvania, arrived, perhaps to iron out the troubles. He took in marriage the daughter of Conrad Weiser. He induced the famous Indian Agent, himself, to become a communicant of the Lutheran Church. He greatly assisted this congregation. The Moravian influence weakened, and as we can see, Georg Nieke was recalled to Bethlehem.

1746

1748

1749

"In 1746 he (George Nieke) was called to the pastorate of the union church at 'Menakasy' (Monocacy, now Graceham, near Frederick, in Frederick County, Maryland). He served there till harvest time, in 1748, when he was recalled to Bethlehem. His name and that of his wife, occur in the list of those partaking of the November communion in Bethlehem. But neither name occurs in the list of the membership of Bethlehem congregation in 1749. So they must have been called, presumably, to

In February, 1744, Peter Boehler had visited Tulpehocken. At a meeting of the church he made an address and presented rules for the government of the school. These rules are given in full in the Moravian Records, and are signed by Peter Boehler and ten heads-of-families. Following his ordination in March, George Nieke was sent to Tulpehocken both to preach and to teach school.

A letter written from the Tulpehocken in November 1744, to the authorities at Bethlehem, throws much light on teaching school in the backwoods of Pennsylvania then. In part, it says:

Tulpehocken, Nov. 4, 1744

"Beloved and Esteemed Brethren in Christ at Bethlehem:

We the Deacons, called the congregation together and presented the matter to them, suggesting that they should write to Bethlehem and present their objections to the manner of conducting the school. But no one

^{** (}cond't)

"to the fact that the Moravians in the Tulpehocken were the ones who most of all appreciated the importance of educating the rising generation of young people, whose tendency toward wildness was cropping out at every point; and that it was these same Brethren who gave themselves to the solution of the task in a practical, systematic and persevering way."

vain for any trace of them, nor is there any other record of their children available than the meager facts burials stated above."

K. H. Ass't. Archivist, Bethlehem, 1938

"Entry in the minutes of the Quittopehille (Lebanon) Synod held Jan. 21st to Jan. 24th (or Feb. 1st to Feb. 4th) 1748.

"# 92. Wir denken vor die Zeit Geschwister Hertzers * nach Warwick, "Georg Niekens nach Quittopehill, Sven Roseen nach Allemangel... zu "verpflanzen.

"* Ist verschiedener Unstande wegen nachgehends so geandert worden, "dass Geschw. Hertzers nach Quittopehille kamen u. Warwick mit Joseph "Mullers besetzt ist."

Translation:

"# 92. For the present we plan to move Bro. and Sr. Hertzer *
"to Warwick, the Niekes to Quittopehill, Sven Roseen to Allemangel.
"* For various reasons this was later changed so that Bro. and Sr.
"Hertzer came to Quittopehille and the Joseph Mullers were stationed "at Warwick."

Kenneth Hamilton, Ass't. Archivist Bethlehem

** (cond*t)

offered to write. Thereupon we touched upon having the school open every day both for boys, and girls. All were at once willing to help to build.

We then reminded them that they had not been satisfied with Nicke in teaching the school. Then it was explained by the deacons that he (Nicke) had done everything in his power for the children, for the time being. However, he (Nicke) could not see how he could satisfy them in their school, as they were not willing to adapt themselves to the rules and regulations of the school.

He also stated that impressing instruction by blows was not his way of doing. To a moderate discipline, in accordance with the transgression*********he would not be opposed. We then told them that he was not willing to remain with us as matters were now.

They then said they could not put the blame upon Nicke. Since the children attended school every day it was plain that they learned more. And then some of them said (again) that they could not put the blame upon Nicke, but upon themselves, because they had not observed the rules and regulations of the school.

But as for us, the deacons, as well as some others who have visited the school, if we are to testify concerning Nicke, we cannot say otherwise than that we are perfectly satisfied with him, even more so than with any one else who has been with us.

It is our opinion, and request, and that of others, that Nicke should be allowed to remain for some time



210N LUTHERAN CHURCH ("Roith's Church"), Tulpehocken

(1 mi east of the present Stouchsburg on north
side by the Julpehocken. () (Berks Co., Penns)

First building, 1727, a 'og church. Second building, 1744, a stone church 24' x 24'. Third building (above) 1837. The cornerstone of the second building was laid April 1, 1745, under the pastorate of Georg Nicke. Bishop Spangenberg preached the sermon. The Moravian Record informs us that Lutherans, Reformeds, Swedes and Indians were present and participated in the ceremonies. On September 13, 1747, the Lutherans again took possession of the new "old Reith Church". This building (1744) stood for ninety-three years, until damaged by a storm; in 1837 it was decided to build the present edifice.



> Casper Reith Hermanus Walborn

In the same Record, a list of the Members of the Congregation at Tulpehocken, with their wives, and children in each family, reveals that thirteen families had seventy-seven children, most of whom were of school-age.

The Rev. Theodore Schmauk, "The Lutheran Church in Pennsylvania"

OFF THE RECORD

Part III

The Nickey Trail In America

LAND

1750 Sept. 14 A warrantee of land in Lancaster County Rapho Township, Pennsylvania, to George Nieke, 25 acres.

Penna. Archives, III Ser. Vol. 24

1**7**51 Aug. 1 Ditto, 50 acres.

Penna. Archives, III Ser. Vol. 24

1750-1751

Owing to privations and uncertainty as a missionary pastor, coupled with need of a more settled abode for his wife who, again, was expecting a child, George Nieke displayed some horse-sense, at last, withdrew from the Bethlehem Economy and began to hew out a home in the Wilderness. For immediate funds it must be remembered that he was a master-tailor. It seems probable that he resided in Lancaster, working at his trade until his son John was born, late in 1748, or early in 1749.

From 1750, through the next score of years we must regard George
Nieke and his wife Eleonora as small farmers on the frontier. He never
kept a horse. In the tax lists he is assessed on one cow. His farming

⁵a "In 1746 George Nieke was sent to Maryland (the Monocacy, spelled in half a dozen various ways) and served there through the winter of 1747-1748. This charge was a 'Union church'; some of the adherents were at once dissatisfied, and refused him further use of the church. Of course, being 'a man of God' this did not prevent him from preaching wherever the opportunity offered in private houses--until the time of his departure from Maryland."

must have been small scale. Rather must we think of him as a local preacher devoting himself to pastoral work among the pioneers; catechising, baptizing, marrying, burying, visiting the sick, looking after the poor, and occasionally supplying a pulpit.

Once, again, the stork visited his home, and left a son. He named this son George. Is this evidence that he knew that his first-born was no more, the brave little Johann George who, four years old, was registered at Herrnhut with his father and mother in 1740? At any rate, this youngest son, George was to be a support and stay as this tired pair let go of life.

Trouble About His Land

Feb. 2

1766

Minutes of the Proceedings in the Land Office: "George Nickey enters a Caveat against a Survey being made or accepted for 30 As in Rapho

Township, Lanctr Co. joining his land wich he purchased of Michael Keyser & joining Henry Guides the s'd George Nickey alledging y't he had built a House and made Improvements on ye s'd 30 As before the s'd Benja. Davis entered his Application of ye 16th of August last, No 534 & 535 & for which 30 As the s'd George Nickey applied ye 24th of Septbr last No. 932.

Wm. Peters, Secy.

To John Lukens, S. G.

Penna. Arch. III Ser. Vol 2, p. 332

1766

Oct. 21

"Patent to George Necka, 292 acres Rapho Township, Lancaster Co., the first tract he took up."

Mentioned in the Deed of Sale by Geo. Nickey, the Son, to John Minnigh, 1790.

1773 Dec. 27 George Nieke writes, signs and seals his Last Will and Testament.

1774 Feb. 22

Will of George Nieke probated.

Book C, Vol 1, p. 236, Lancaster, Penna.

Filed in the Moravian Records in German.

Translation Of The Will

Book X, Vol 2, p. 493, Lancaster Co., Penna.

WHEREAS, I, George Nicke, Inhabitant of Rapho
Township, in the County of Lancaster and Province of
Pennsylvania, in my many sicknesses dayly see that the
time of my departure draws near, therefore I have hereby
settled my worldly affairs in good and sound memory and
understanding, in the manner following -

First, when my immortal Spirit has left my body, I recommend my Soul to Almighty God, and my body to the earth to rest agreeable to the will of God and his Mercy untill the Resurrection.

Secondly, as to my worldly estate of which I have but little, I first considered the neediness of my beloved wife, Johanna Eleonora in her age. I therefore, have given and delivered to her in my life time all my movable goods, free and to her benefit forever; and to her further support I bequeath to her, that, out of my land and plantation, she shall have her support and the house during her widowhood; and if she should fall in need, or other circumstances to become poor, then I grant her full power and right to act and do with it as I could have done, and in such manner I give it to her, during her widowhood, so that she has a right to let it out upon rent or in such other manner as she may find best in her widowhood.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my eldest son David one English shilling for his double right, he having already received from my father my portion, and has taken the same for his share, so that he shall have no demand or share with my other children; and if any thing should remain after the decease of my said wife, then my two sons John & George shall have equal shares (excepting what I have given to the mother aforehand) who shall be kind and assist her in her age.

The land or plantation George then may have for the price what it has cost me, namely, for the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds lawful money of Pennsylvania, with this proviso that he shall yearly pay twelve pounds untill the said sum is paid and if the mother should be obliged to contract debts, then the same shall be paid first, and afterwards John and George shall allways devide each yearly payment equally between them untill all the payments are paid; but if the place should grow worse then something may be abated in the purchase money.

Thirdly, I nominate and appoint my wife Johanna Eleonora Executrix of this my last Will and Testament,

making hereby null and void all other wills by me heretofore made, as well verbal as written, declairing this and no other to be my last will and testament, which I have with my own hand signed and sealed the 27 day of December, A. Dom. 1773.

George Niecke (SEAL)

Signed, sealed and pronounced by George Niecke in sound memory & understanding.

his
Hans H H Humer

mark

her

mark

Veronica F

1774

George Niecke was not old in years. His wife, we know, was 60.

He, doubtless, was some older. In this Will we have a paper expressed and written by himself. He writes the German script in a small, compact hand, almost as legible as print, and yet graceful and flowing.

Humer

The Will reveals him deeply solicitous as to the welfare of his wife whom, he realizes, he must soon leave. It breathes a natural refinement. It is in the diction of the educated class. He manages to convert his little acreage into an annuity for Eleonora which will yield what was regarded, in the 18th Century, in Pennsylvania, a decent cash income, and as much as was set aside for the widow's dowry in the wills of far wealthier men, at that time.

He names three sons: David, who, he says, is the eldest; John; and George.

His land, which he calls "a plantation" though only $29\frac{1}{2}$ acres at the time of his death, he wills that the youngest son, George, may eventually have, thus making him his mother's ally in future business arrangements.

At that time, his land with improvements and movable goods meant "a living". Now, lying as it does in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania admitted to be "the garden spot of the United States" it would probably sell at \$10,000, still "a living" not more; an interesting item in our political and social economy.

Whether his sons buried their father in some Church-yard in Rapho

Township, or in a wooded dell on his own land, there is no record.

Either way was customary.

As to no filing an inventory--please note the period. The Revolution was just starting--and government by English laws was being thrown off--hence there was much confusion at that time and people did not know what to do.--Hence much was not done, until new laws were made.

Lottie M. Bausman, Archivist, Lancaster, Pa.

[&]quot;In early days many people had their own graveyard on their own farm, -- or a small cemetery, in a community, used by several families. Now at that period (as your ancestral line shows) people were moving around a great deal -- hence by 1800, many of the early families had gone elsewhere. The farm had a new owner, no relation to the people who had been on it; the small cemeteries were not cared for, by strangers. Therefore: if there were stones -- always hard to get in the early days -- when they became weather -worn and broken, nobody bothered to fix them, as none of the family was any longer in Lancaster County. Why bother? See? Even in large wellkept cemeteries I have seen broken stones put over by the fence --- none of the family around, anymore -- nobody to care. And many of these small cemeteries have now been plowed over, and thrown into the farm. If one were to go to such a spot, today, he would not know that there had ever been graves there. In some few cases, of which I know, where graves, as such, still exist, they are overgrown by a mass of weeds and briars. I could cite many more cases of neglect if time permitted." Lottie M. Bausman, Archivist, Lancaster, Pa.

^{7.} Eleonora Nickey has been widowed now sixteen years.

^{8.} About filing an inventory on the estate of George Niecke (died late in December 1773). No record here.--If it had been it would have had to be in the English language, as nothing was done in Pennsylvania at any office while it was a Province of England except under English laws. A man could bring in a will written in German--but it was not recorded--but given a place on the record book when probated --making it legal--the will itself was the property then of the County and put away with other German wills. All records of the office were kept in English.

1790

The widow, Johanna Eleonora Nieke acknowledges receipt of the money
for the land (12-annually, until she has received 150-) as per the
Will of George Nieke, her husband.

County record, Lancaster, Penna.

1**7**90 May 1 George Necke and wife, Christina, sells this land to John Minnigh.

Deed Book KK, p. 620. Lancaster, Penna.

1790 May 1 Johanna Eleonora Nickey, the widow, is now in her 77th year. She has outlived her annuity. Therefore she turns the land over to her son George, and, in return for a home with him for her remaining years, she probably gives him any other property, movables, live stock, or right in the improvements (house) which she has. Her son John is dead (1788). Her son, David, who actually knew her, first, in 1769, when a man of 28 years, left Lancaster County in 1782, and in 1790 is residing in Frederick County, Maryland. As the twilight of life darkens, she is sheltered under the roof of her son George.

He whom a dream hath possessed knoweth no more of doubting,
For mist and the blowing of winds and the mouthing of words he scorns;
Not the sinuous speech of schools he hears, but a knightly shouting,
And never comes darkness down, but he greeteth a million morns.

"He Whom a Dream Hath Possessed"
Stanza 1. Shaemas O'Sheel

GENEALOGICAL TABLES

First Generation

GEORG1 NIECKE

- b. 1710? Sohland? Upper Lusatia, Saxony.
- d. 1773, Rapho Township Lancaster Co., Pa.
- m. June 21, 1736, Reichenbach, Upper Lusatia, Saxony
 Johanna Eleonora, dau. of the master-clothmaker, Johann Christoph Donath,
 of Reichenbach.
 - b. Oct. 30, 1713, Reichenbach
 - d. After May 1, 1790, Cumberland County, Pa.

Children:

- i Johann Georg, Registered with his parents, Herrnhut, Saxony 1738-1739.

 Registered with his parents, Herrnhut, Saxony 1740.ac. 4.

 Nothing more is known.
- ii Gottfried, b. Feb. 28, 1740, Herrnhut, Saxony. d. May 28, 1740, Herrnhut, Saxony.
- l iii David, b. Sept. 2, 1741, Herrnhut, Saxony.

 Among children registered Herrnhut, 1748.

 Not among children registered Herrnhut, 1757.

 Emigrated to America, 1769. Probably via New York.
 - iv Elizabeth, "d. 1745. Her father was pastor at Tulpehocken, Pa."

 Burial records of Little Girls Row, Bethlehem, Pa.
 - v Johanna E., "d. 1744-1746, eldest child of Rev. Geo. Nieke."

 Burial records of Little Girls Row, Bethlehem, Pa.
- vi John, b. 1748-1749? Lancaster Co., Pa.
 vii George, b. 1749-1751? Lancaster Co., Pa.

Second Generation

DIVISION ONE



DAVID NICKEY (1741-1803)

of

Saxony, Pennsylvania, Maryland,

and

Virginia

Thatan actual fact rests back of any persistent tradition was well proved to a skeptical world, less than fifty years ago, when Heinrich Schliemann, using the fortune he had made in soap manufacture in the United States, uncovered Homeric Troy, a city and people regarded through the Christian era as the figment of a Greek mind. Later, Sir Arthur Evans removed the last doubt about the trust-worthiness of tradition when he uncovered the palace-citadel of old King Minos, in Crete, (till then, held as the sheerest film of imagination), and startled the present generation by showing them the dominating personality of an almost modernistic culture, existing five thousand years ago.

Do we need hesitate, then, to accept the modest little family traditions less than two hundred years old? In the Nickey family such a tradition has been handed down by word of mouth, solely; David Nickey to his son, Samuel; Samuel to his ten sons and daughters; and these in turn to their children.

This tradition ran simply. "Three brothers of whom David was one, from Germany, embarked for America in 1769. Samuel, born in Germany, son of David, and aged three years, in 1769, came with his father. On the voyage one of the brothers died, and was buried at sea."

These bare statements embraced all that Samuel Nickey's children knew of their Nickey ancestry. These children never saw their grandfather David, who died 1803, three years before Samuel married Anna Catherine Balsley.

Samuel had grown up in an English American Colony and his speech was English.

His children did not know German. If Samuel recalled German place names, his children would not be interested did the father mention them.

It seems heartless to us today that David Nickey did not impress the names of his father and mother on his son Samuel, or that the brothers' names, unless it be Henry who was buried at sea, were left out. But when the actual record of facts is set down chronologically one sees that this Nickey tradition, born of emotional reactions, is natural.

From infancy David Nickey was reared in the orphanage, or children's House, at Herrnhut, or in some other Moravian school. He was a part of the Moravian System. He scarcely knew the names of his parents. When he arrived in America, 1769, he was a man, 28, and a father, himself, as he met for the first, his own parents, now aged and thinking of death. From the "Item" in George Nicke's last Will and Testament it is evident that, even then, there had been financial bickerings, and a discrimination, as David might feel, in favor of his American born brothers, John and George, brothers whom he had come to know in the same short time ere his father's death. It is not hard to see that, after this, David will strike out for himself, go his own way with getting on in the New World, and making a place for his own family.

Leaving these deductions, let us turn to what we know of David Nickey in America.

There is no record of the ship's name in which the three Nickey brothers sailed to America, nor whether the two surviving brothers entere at New York or at Philadelphia. If one of the brothers surviving was the American born John he would not be delayed at the port. Eut David Nickey and his family were German born, and must, of necessity, undergo some formality on landing.

Whatever things happened it is certain that David and his family made their way to Rapho Township Lancaster County, Pennsylvania to the home of his parents George and Johanna Eleonora; for in his last Will and Testament the father says that his settlement of one English shilling on his eldest son, David, is agreed to by the latter, implying a complete understanding after talking things over.

^{1.} In this document George Niecke declares that David is his eldest son. The matter of the bequest of der pachter, Johann Niecke of Sohland, Saxony, to his grandson David rather than to Johann Georg Niecke the actual eldest son, the four-year-old registered at Herrnhut 1740, indicates that the old grandfather knew that the actual eldest son was dead.

The War for Independence exacted service of the American-born John, and George during the years 1777-1780, and it is the tradition that David also served in the medical corps, probably under Gen. Rand of Lancaster. David himself said "under Gen. George Washington." The records have not yet been found in any archives. But there is some service behind the tradition, of which his descendants would be very proud, no doubt.²

After February 1774, for almost a decade, her sons, David, (German born), John, and George (American born) continued to reside in Rapho Township near their mother, Johanna Eleonora Nickey. John married soon, and bought a tract of 50 acres. George assumed ownership of the paternal $29\frac{1}{2}$ acres. David's name does not appear on tax lists of Rapho Township until 1779.

It must be understood that these Nickey men were not farmers; at least did not make a living by farming. They had some trade, or profession, that yielded an income. They may have been school-masters. They were able to act as notary, to draw wills, deeds, and other legal papers. David may have practiced medicine among the German pioneers. They may have been tailors, weavers, coopers, wheel-wrights, cabinet-makers, or small shop keepers. But they did not keep horses, or other live stock indicating actual farming.

In 1782, George Nickey is taxed on one horse. He still is taxed on the paternal $29\frac{1}{2}$ acres. One feels glad that, now, he can drive his aged mother to church on a Sunday morning.

In 1782 son John Nickey has moved to Donegal Township and has bought 150 acres which is stocked with 2 horses, 3 cows, and assessed at £4-16-1. He has gone into farming in earnest. He has but six years more to live, and his inventory at his death in 1788 shows that he was making money.

In 1782 David is still in Rapho Township, with a small tract of land, now

^{2.} Samuel Nickey said that his father had kept a notebook record of the men he had treated in the Army hospital camps. After the War this notebook was "borrowed" by "some lawyer" in Philadelphia, and never returned, greatly to David Nickey's regret. We may add, greatly to the regret of us all, his descendants.

assessed at 12 acres. After this date David's name does not appear, again, in Lancaster County. But the records in the Clerk's Office at Frederick, Frederick County, Maryland prove that in 1786 David was a resident of the historic town of Hanover, York County, Pennsylvania, and was selling land in Frederick County, Maryland. (Liber W.R. No. 5, P. 360; Clerk's Office, Frederick, Maryland). In Liber W.R. No. 7, p. 334, same Office, John Wise of Frederick Co. sells land on Pipe Creek, called "Omig's Choice" to David Nickey of York County dated April 8, 1786.

On May 22, 1790 David Nickey sells this land "Omig's Choice" to Dr. John Baker, and the deed is signed by his wife, also, Mary Elizabeth Nickey. (Liber W.R. No. 9, p. 309).

Liber W.R. No. 17, p. 88, same County, a deed recorded at the request of Paul Houk, recites a sale made by David Nickey and Elizabeth Nickey his wife of Frederick County, Maryland of 63 acres in land called "Fruck's Discovery," deed made and signed June 20, 1798.

The Marriage Records of Frderick County, Maryland, list the marriage of Sarah Nickey and Lawrence Switzer, October 31, 1797.

The United States Census of 1790, for Maryland, lists David Nickey as a resident of Frederick County, Maryland.

Chalkley's Records of Augusta County, Virginia print the record of a land purchase by David Nickey, April 8, 1800, of 216 acres from Joseph Leffler and wife Joanna. Consideration £600. These tracts lie on Middle River Augusta County, southeast of Round Hill. (Deed Book No. 9, p. 14, and p. 252, Records of Augusta County, Staunton, Virginia.*)

On April 28, 1801, David Nickey bought 29 acres of John Connor and Rebecca his wife, consideration £87-5-0.

On this farm, containing in all 245 acres, in the very heart of Augusta County, and in a community of wealthy farmers of the Michael Keinadt kindred David Nickey settled down to old age. He became a communicant of the Trinity (Lutheran)

Church which was the family meeting house of the powerful Keinadt Clan. His land adjoined that which had formerly been the homestead of Michael Keinadt, himself. Because of this contiguity the Nickey family was to be allied with the Keinadt family, when, later, David Nickey's son, Samuel, married Anna Catherine Balsley, daughter of Elizabeth, the eldest daughter of old Michael.

The end of an eventful life, a dynamic career, came to David Nickey in early December, 1803. He met it simply. He made no will. He expressed his wishes to his son Samuel that his wife Elizabeth should have all while she lived; after that the law should have its way. He was buried in the grave yard of Trinity Church, where, when their time came, also, his wife was buried, and his son Samuel.

An inventory of the Effects of David Nickey, Deceas'd, appraised by Thos. Turk, Jas. Kennedy and Charles Patrick after being sworn according as the law directs, by Robt Porterfield, Esqu. January the 17th, 1804, which are as follows Viz:

		£	8 •	d
1	fur hat	. 1	4	
2	suits of clothes	. 4	16	
1	strait coat and 2 great coats	. 3	6	
	pieces of Stuff containing 12 yds		13	9
	waistcoat and Breeches		5	
	pair of pantaloons			
_	shirts		8	
	pair of stockings		14	
-	cotton caps		5	
	pair of boots		15	
_	To the remainder of old shoes and boots		3	
Q	handkerchifs		17	9
	pair of Stockings		3	
_	pewter, 15 plates, 2 basons of do & 1 desk		1	
	Tin ware		11	
3	glass cream-pot, 2 tankards (pewter) salt cellar	•	T T	
Т			6	6
00	and do teapot		8	O
	spoons			6
	earthen dishes and 12 plates of do		5 8	0
2	Tea kettles and 1 watering kan			
_	The balance of the furniture and curtains		16	
	dozen Tea cups and saucers		4	6
1	$stove^3$	· >		
	clock and case			
-	beds, 5 bed-steads and furniture			
	bushel of hemp seed and 3 do of flax seed		15	
	mans saddle and 2 pair of saddle bags		9	
	cotton wheel and reel		10	_
	pounds of clean flax at 9 lb		14	3
	Bag of feathers		7	
	pair of Stilliards		6	
	Trunk, 4 Chest, 1 weighting Table	. 1	7	
9	split bottom'd chairs	•	17	
	Silver Watch	. 1	4	
1	womans saddle	. 1		
	Gun		6	
	axes, 1 spade, shovel, and Mattock		5 4	
	brass kettle and 1 large pot		4	
1	barrel and $\frac{1}{2}$ barrel, 1 churn, $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel and Tub.	•	19	
6	collars, 2 pair of hanes, 2 pair of Hip-straps			
	and 1 pair of chains	. 2	14	
2	Scythes and sneads	•	10	
	flax hackle	•	9	
2	old barrels, 1 sifter, and handsaw	•	12	
	Balance of old Irons	•	6	
2	spinning wheels	. 1		
1	box of razors and a hone	•	9	
1	Table		2	
	Money scales and weights		6	

^{3.} Probably a five-plate, or a six-plate stove, since no stove-pipe

is invoiced.

Note on stoves:

The iron industry was outstanding in the American Colonies. Pennsylvania took the lead. The plants for the industry were of three kinds: furnaces (smelting, casting of pig iron, and decorated stove plates); foundries (remelting pig iron, making wheels, tools, kettles, pots, and bar iron); and forges (hammering heated bar iron into sheets, fencing, nails).

Colonial houses, 17th and 18th centuries, were heated by the fireplace, often a fireplace in each room. But the heating process was greatly improved by the use of stoves, an adjunct of the open fire, as early as 1720.

These stoves were of three kinds: the five-plate stove or jamb stove, (1720), composed of five rectangular plates bolted together and set in one corner of the fire place. Behind the open back of this stove was a hole in the house-wall through which the fuel was put into the stove, and the smoke went out into the open air. The six-plate stove came about 1740. It had six rectangular plates, forming a box; the bottom plate protruded, making a little hearth under the fire-door in one end plate; the top-plate had a hole to let the smoke into the chimney near which it sat in a corner of the fireplace, usually on legs.

The kitchen fireplace was the largest of all, where the cooking and baking were done, entirely, until 1765, when there suddenly appeared in Pennsylvania what was called the "ten-plate stove." This did not expose the open fire for boiling, broiling, and frying, (which were still done at the fireplace), but it was equipped to bake meat, cakes, pies, and bread on a small scale and to replace the large household oven of masonry. It remained an auxilliary to the open fire near which it was placed, with its sheet iron stove pipe let into a hole in the chimney above the hearth. It was composed of six cast iron plates (with a door in one front and one end plate) which formed a rectangular box for the fire. Four more plates, bolted to the front and back outside plates, formed the oven inside the stove, over and around which the flames and heat played. The stove-pipe was connected to a round hole in the top plate.

The five-plate stove had no draught. The six-plate was called a "draught-stove". The five-plate (jamb stove) and the six-plate stove were made of highly decorated plates, cast by pressing a carved wooden mold into the wet sand bed, which left a reverse or concave pattern in the sand. Into this pattern the molten iron was poured. When the ten-plate stoves appeared, America had grown more utilitarian, and, gradually, the decorative art of stove-casting was abandoned.

Stoves were sold by weight at the furnaces. A medium five-plate stove weighed 355 pounds, and sold at £4-0; a ten-plate weighed 402 pounds, and sold at £10-0 in 1770. The pipe added to the cost of a ten-plate stove as it was hammered into sheets by hand.

See "The Bible in Iron" by Henry C. Mercer, published for the Bucks County Historical Society 1914, Doylestown, Pennsylvania.



23	wheat fan and cutting box	10	d.
1	Cow chains	. 4	6
5	shovels, 1 pair Tongs and Iron scraper	9 15	
15	head of cattle	14	
295	Books and the balance that is in the Book case10		6
٦	A quantity of pictures	1	6
ユ ス	spy glass	6 16	6
3	head of horse beasts		O
16	head of hogs	18	
1	case of laneek	6	
	Cash in gold, Silver, and bank Notes	. 5 3	
	Silver Stock. buckle	3	
	Note of Benjamin Eakle	. 13	6
4	Bonds from Paul Houk of £30 each Maryland		
	Currency which makes £24 each Virginia currency bearing date the 23d of June, 1798		
7	bond from Nicholas Bougher of £10 Maryland		
_	currency which bears date the 29th of May,		
	1793 and amounts to £7 - 16 Virginia currency 7	16	
1	note of Jacob Halderman of £2 - 9 - 2 on demand 2	9	2
	Book accounts on sundry people		11
_	To do on sundry people		4글
1	large dutch book	13	
1/5	hemp to the amount of	12	
1//	Chain	-	
	Boxes of Spring lancets	5 4	

Chas. Patrick Thos. Turk James Kennedy

At a Court for Augusta County December the 22nd 1806.

This Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of David Nickey, dec'd being returned is ordered to be recorded.

Teste:

Chesley Kenney C.C.

The marriage of Samuel Nickey to Anna Catherine Balsley, daughter of Christian Balsley and Elizabeth (Keinadt) Balsley was celebrated on New Years Day, 1806. By this union he allied the Nickeys with a family apt to be at the front, fearless, of keen firesight and quick decision.

Samuel Nickey's mother, Mary Elizabeth lived for some years. Her death probably occurred late in 1810, or early in 1811. After her death, her son and staff in her old age bought out the interest of his two sisters in the David Nickey estate. Their settlement is recorded in Deed Books of Augusta County as follows:

Nickey, Samuel 12/23, 1811 "This indenture ***** sets forth that Nicholas Boughor and Elleanora, his wife, and Sally, widdow of Lawrence Switzer of Rockingham County and Samuel Nickey of Augusta County witnesses that in consideration of £440 in hand paid to them (the ladies) by said Samuel Nickey, they do release unto the said Samuel Nickey all title, right, or interest in the estate of the late David Nickey deceased of Augusta County, Va. who was father of the said Elleanora Bougher, Sally Switzer and Samuel Nickey."

Deed Book 37, p. 18, Augusta Co., Va.

With settlement of his estate the history of David Nickey is closed. Likewise our acquaintance with the two daughters of David Nickey is ended. Both these ladies were Maryland belles, undoubtedly, during the decade or more they enjoyed life in Frederick County. Their father had been brought up in the reserved aristocratic atmosphere of Herrnhut, Saxony. That he was a cultivated man may be discerned from more than one thing in his Inventory of personal effects. Outstanding is his library of 295⁴ books and a book-case. The two dozen tea-cups suggest sociability, and the stove, rated at \$5-0 (probably one of the Pennsylvania decorated stoves, "the Bible in iron,") indicates comfort. The three Irishmen who "took the inventory" were professionals at this business. Their names, Thomas Turk, James Kennedy, and Charles Patrick appear on many a legal paper of their day in Augusta County. With eagle eyes they could walk through a dead men's movables and miss nothing; at the same time they could reduce everything to a common denominator and its lowest terms.

Now and then one discovers, with disappointment, that he has missed knowing

^{4.} George Washington, the first President, had a library of 884 books at the time of his death.

^{5. (}See next page.)

some gracious personality. And that is the feeling as we leave, with the brief note above, the charming sisters of samuel Nickey, Eleanora whose marriage rites with Nicholas Bougher were celebrated in Hanover, York County, Pennsylvania in 1793, and the younger sally, so early a widow, who married Lawrence switzer in Frederick County, Maryland, 1797, and later removed to Rockingham County in the Great Virginia Valley.

However, it is their brother, Samuel, who carries on the Nickey name.

His contribution to American life is bound up with the history of his far-seeing wife.

Anna Catherine Balsley

See Genealogical Table, DIVISION ONE, Third Generation, SAMUEL NICKEY I (David², Georg¹)

GENEALOGICAL TABLE, DIVISION ONE

Second Generation

- 1 DAVID NIECKE², son of Georg¹ Niecke, The Founder.

 b. Sept. 2, 1741, Herrnhut, Saxony. Emigrated to America, 1769.

 d. Dec. 1803, Augusta Co., Va.

 m. ----1764-1765, Elizabeth ----- Saxony.

 Children:
 - 4 i Samuel, b. Saxony, 1766. Emigrated to Fenna. 1769. m. Anna Catharine Balsley, 1806.
 - ii Eleonora, b. Lancaster Co., Penna. 1770? m. Nicholas Bougher, York Co., Pa., 1788?
 - iii Sarah, b. Lancaster County, Penna., 1774?

 m. Lawrence Switzer, Dec. 31, 1797, Frederick, Md.

^{5.} On the same day, or a few days later, 1811, Samuel Nickey and Catherine, his wife sold and transfered this land to George Barnhart. It is plain, that since Samuel Nickey sold this farm, and did not buy another, that he depended on his medical practice for a living. A medical education was acquired, then, by "reading medicine" with some practicing physician. Samuel may have "read" with his father David. He may have "read" at Philadelphia or at Baltimore, and have "taken lectures" in either place. But there is no record on the subject available yet.



Second Generation

DIVISION TWO

Second Generation

JOHN 2 NICKEY, son of Georg Nieckel, The Founder. b. ----1748, or 1749, Lancaster Co., Penna.
d. ----1788, Donegal Tp., Lancaster Co., Penna.
m. ----1770, Mary ----- At least after his return from Europe, 1769, if he went to Saxony to encourage the emigration of his brothers to America. He died intestate, 1788. His estate settled in Court shows:

Children:

i Abraham b. ---- Under 16 in 1790. (See U. S. Census, 1790, Penna.) d. 1795, shortly after marriage.

m. 1795, Ann ----

No children. Ann m. 2nd. Christian Hopple.

ii John b. ---- Under 16, in 1790.

iii Elizabeth

b. -----Under 16, in 1790

m. ----David Bixler

Sarah iv

d. early.

Widow Mary m. 2nd. George Lebenstein. (Records of Lancaster Co., Deed Book K. vol 3, p. 246)

John Nickey (2) was a linen-weaver by trade, for the fine loom, and the splendid collection of linen goods and raw material for linen weaving clearly indicates this.

The industrial history of Pennsylvania emphasizes the contribution of Bethlehem and the Moravians to the art of this industry in Colonial days. Then it should be recalled that his grandfather, Johann Christoph Donath, of Reichenbach, Upper Lusatia, Saxony, was a master-clothmeker. Trades do run in families.

But, on his return from Europe in 1769, John, too, began to acquire a little land. The Penna. Arch. III Ser. vol. 17, pp. 673 et al. show: Tax Records Rapho Tp. Lancaster Co., Penna.

1773, John Nicke Mountjoy Tp. 1779 John Nicky lc. 3sh. 3A. -h. Donegal Tp. L S D 1782, John Nickey 150A. 2h. 16 3c.

In 1782 he had entered into real farming. At the time of his death the livestock on his farm was much increased, and the grain stored, with farm tools and equipment show that he had prospered.

> Revolutionary War Pecord of John Nickey (2) Penne. Arch. V Ser., vol. 7

Muster Rolls returned of Third Company First Battalion Thomas Robinson, First Lieutenant

The "Third Company" or "Flying Camp" 1776 was in the Jersey Campaign 1776-1777. The 3rd Company was in the Long Island campaign (p. 18). Went to Jersey in August 1776, and were absent to Jan. and Feb. 1777.

In the Muster roll 1777, (8 companies) Lancaster County, 1st Battalion 2nd Company, Captain, Thomas Robinson, (See p. 197)

John Nickey 5th Class, Apr. 20, 1778

Avg. 24, 1778 Apr. 19, 1779 et al.

Inventory of the Goods, Chattels, Rights and Credits of John Niecky of Donigall Township, Lancaster County, Yeoman, Decd. truly taken by the Administrators and Appraised by the Subscribers on the 10th day of March, A. Domini 1788 as followeth (to wit).

1149615						
3 Shirts	L	s 10	D			
4 Do		15				
1 pattern for Coat & Jacat		12				
4 Table Cloths		8 15				
l Coffey pott		11	3			
7 yds. Toe Yarn		5	J			
Queens Ware		8	6			
2 Table Cloths		3	Ů			
2 yds. Linen		4				
17 yds. Toe Linen		17				
2 pare Cards		4				
1 Box			6			
11 lb. a 1/2 Hemp Yarn	1	5				
12 lb. Flax		15				
l pare Sillyards	1	7 10				
1 Clothe Press	1	10	8			
26 lb. Flax Toe Yarn at 10 d. p. lb		ıi	4			
15 lb. Ro. at 9 d. p. lb	5					
1 Small Cubboard		2	6			
1 Stove	3					
l Table		7	6			
1 Chist		15				
I Spining Wheel		12	G			
l Loocking Glassa	1	2 2	6 6			
2 Fleckels	1	5	U			
Shoemakers Tools & 2 pare Sheers		2				
1 State & Sundrey Small 1001s 1 Spring Lance, Razure and Sundrey.						
Smell Articles		6				
1 Saw, Shingle Hamer and Sundreys		5	6			
1 Reel		5				
1 Small Saw		5				
1 Muskit.		15	c			
l nare Toe Trowsers and Hat	•	3 3	6			
2 Chairs	'	2				
1 Do		10	6			
2 Spining Wheels	1					
2 Drawing Knives, 3 augurs & Sundrey Chissels &c.	. 1					
1 Weaver's Loom & Facklins	4					
1 Red and Bedsted	. 1	10				
3 old Casks	•	Ţ	6			
1 Red and Redsted	, 1	10	0			
I Grubbing Hoe. Ax. Maul and Wedges	•	12	6 6			
1 Rockit	•	10	,			
2 Iron Hobbels & Sundrey Chains		4				
2 Dung forks 1 Dung hook		4				
2 Hay forks & 1 Shuffel	. 1	5				
3 Collars and the Traces	_					

		L	S	D
1	Logg Chain		7	6
2	Bridles		7	6
	Weoman Saddle		10	
	Cagg & Bedsted		1	6
	Chist		15	
45	lb. Hemp at 6 d. p. lb	1	2	6
	Baskit & half Bushel		4	
	Bed cord		2	
4	Sickels		2	6
-	Sundrey old irons		2	
	Water can		3	
Ţ	Saddle and Saddle Baggs		15	
7 T	pair of Wool Cards with other Sundries	1	4	
4	Laiths		4	
	Wool Wheel		9 2	6
100 T	Vise α post Ax	20	16	8
100	Riddles	20	3	O
3	Casks		6	
	Bee hives		O	
1	old Bu. Baskit		4	
	Hemp Seed & Doe Trough		10	
	Timothy Seed		3	
50	1b. Bacon at 4 d. p. 1b		16	8
	Bred Baskits		2	
	Kean		6	
2	Standards		4	
1	Tubb & 2 small Tubbs		7	6
1	Iron Kittle		12	
	Sundrey Rakes		2	6
	Garden Hoe		1	
	Grind Stone		6	
2	Casks & 1 Bucket		2	6
_	Sundrey Buckets		3	
	Iron potts		10 7	
Ţ	pan & Baking plate		10	
	ranns		7	6
	Tin Coffey pott, pail & funnel		7	6
1	old Crocks		2	6
ו	Table & Wooden Can.		3	6
			2	6
ĭ	Juggs		ĩ	6
	Fewter ware		7	6
1	Pepper Mill		1	
	Fire Tongs		1	6
	Coffey Mill		3	9
	Sundrey pieces of Lether		6	
3	Bottles		3	
	Plow & Double Tree		18	
1	Harrow		12	
	Waggon and Ladders	3	5	
	Breaks and Cutting Box		12	
	wind Mill		7	6
	Wheel Barrow		10	
	Sorl. Mare	3		
	Gray Horse	7	10	
	Cows	5	10	
1	Red Cow	2	10	

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2	Heffers						•	•	•		•	•	3	10	
4	Heffers						•	•	•		•	•	3		
10	Acres Winte	er Grain.					•	•	•		•	•	7	10	
5	Hoggs · ·						•	•	•		•	•	1	5	
6	Sheep						•	•	•	• •	•	•	1	16	
750	Shingles.						•	•	•		•	•	1	8	
1	Small Blank	cit					•	•	•	• •	•	•		3	
_	Sundrey Mer	n's Cloth	ing.				•	•	•		•	•	5	3	
1	Bond payabl	le by Joh	m Gop:	fert.			•	•	•		•	•	10		
ī	Book Acct.	against	Jacob	Witn	er .		•	•	•		•	•	1	9	2
1	Book Acct.	against	Jacob	Reif			•	•	•		•	•		6	
ī	Do.	against	Georg	e Ber	sh .		•	•	•		•	•		5	6
ī	Do.	against	Chris	tian	Blase	er .	•	•	•	• •	•	•		8	10
ı	Do.	against	Henry	Mill	er.		•	•	•		•	•		8	7
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Exhibited in the Register's Office at Lancaster the 13th day of March, 1788.

James Jacks, Reg.



Second Generation

DIVISION THREE

Second Generation

3 GEORGE² NICKEY, (son of Georg¹ Niecke, The Founder)

b.----1750 or 1751, Rapho Twp. Lancaster Co., Penna.

*d. 10/8-1839, Frankford Twp. Cumberland Co., Penna.

m.----1774? Christina Eversole, dau. of

Eversole of Annville Twp., Dauphin Co., Penna. Barbara Eversole died the last of January, 1808, and her will, probated 2/2-1808, is recorded in Will Book "c", p. 69, Dauphin County. By a subsequent "Agreement" recorded in Deed Book "Q", Vol. 1, p. 154, the grand children, of Barbara Eversole by her daughter, Christina, named their father, George Nickey, their lawful attorney to recover and receive the inheritance Barbara Eversole left them.

This agreement names:

Children:

- 7 i John
- 8 ii David
 - iii Anne ("Nancy") m. Jacob Brunner.
- 9 iv Samuel

These children were born before 1790. They are the four enumerated in the U. S. Census of 1790, and removed with their parents from Lancaster Co. to Cumberland Co. that year. Born in Cumberland Co. were:

10 v George III

11 vi Jacob

12 vii Abraham

viii Christina. m. Peter Miller of Mifflin Co.

George Nickey, in his Last Will and Testament, named one more daughter.

ix Katharine, m. Adam Heiser.

Katharine was either the daughter by a second marriage, or an adopted daughter. As George does not mention a wife in his Will, it must be agreed that one, or both, were a long time dead. And on 4/27-1831, when George Nickey made his will, Katharine was grown to womanhood, and married.

Last Will and Testament of George Nickey II

Cumb. Co. Pa. Will Book "L" p. 75, 76.

"In the name of God amen I George Nickey of Frankford Township, Cumber-land County and State of Pennsylvania, finding myself in a weak state of bodyly health, but thanks be to God of a sound retaining mind memory and good understanding have therefore determined in myself to make this my last

^{*}By deed dated April 1, 1814, George Nickey conveyed a tract of land situate Frankford Twp., Cumberland County, Pa. to Joseph Wert and also by deed dated December 18, 1817; George Nickey et al conveyed a tract of land situate in Tyrene Twp. (now Perry County, Penna.) to John Milligan

will and testament in manner and form following to wit. first and principally of all I commend my soul into the hands of the almighty God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent and christian like manner at the discretion of my Executor hereinafter named. And touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose thereof in the floowing manner to wit. It is my will and I order that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid and satisfied of my estate as soon as conveniently can be after my estate. Item it is my will and I do order my Executor hereinafter named to make sale of all my estate real and personal by public sale or to the best of his advantage in six month after my decease, and pay out of the money therefrom arising after all the expenses are paid first to my daughter Christina Miller widow of Peter Miller of Mifflin County. To my son John Nickey, to my son David Nickey and to my daughter Nancy intermarried with Jacob Brunner, to my son Samuel Nickey, to my son George Nickey, to my son Jacob Nickey, to my daughter Katharine intermarried with Adam Heiser and to My son Abraham Nickey each and every of them to have an equal share out of all the monies which may be arising out of all my estate real and personal. And it is further my will that those of my aforesaid mentioned children that hath heretofore or in my life time received from me any money goods and effects of whatever, shall stand so much back untill the others are equal with them if the same may be found charged against them or some of them in bonds, notes, memorandoms, books, or accountants. And further I do hereby empower my Executor hereinafter named to give a deed or deeds to the purchser or purchasers of my land or lands which deed or deeds I do hereby acknowledge and declare to be as valid and lawful as if done by myself. Finally I do nominate and appoint George Kosh of Frankford township to be the Executor of this my last will and testament and have signed and sealed the same with my own hand and seal the twenty seventh day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one.

(signed in English) George Nickey Seal

Signed, sealed, published and pronounced by the testator as his last will and testament in presence of us who in his presence and at his request sign our names as witnesses.

David Shibbly Frederick Butteroff

Cumberland County ss:-

This 11th day of October A.D. 1839 before me Isaac Angney Register for the probate of wills and granting letters of Administration in and for said county personally came David Shibley and Frederick Buttorff the subscribing witnesses to the aforegoing instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of George Nickey, late of Frankford township deceased and being duly sworn according to law depose and say that they were present and saw & heard the testator George Nickey sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the same as and for his last will and testament and that at the time of his so doing he was of a sound and disposing mind, memory, and understanding to the best of their knowledge, observation & belief. and that they subscribed their names thereto as witnesses at the request of the testator in his presence and in the presence of each other.

Sworn & subscribed Before me) David Shively Isaac Angney Register) Frederick Butturff

Be it remembered that on the 11th day of October A.D. 1839, the last will and testament of George Nickey deceased was legally proven and Letters

testamentary issued October 18th 1839 to George Kosht the Executor therein named. Inventory to be exhibited at the time appointed by law. (Now12,1839.)

Isaac Angney Register."

When George Nickey II made his Last Will and Testament he was 80, and a widower. He lived almost a decade longer. He mentions his daughter, Christina, now a widow, <u>first</u>, in his will. It is more than probable that he had an agreement with her, being widowed, that she keep his house, and make his home, until his death. The Inventory of his personal property shows only the household equipment, bed, bedding for one, chests, bureau, clock, saddle. One may conclude that Christina was given his household furniture, or that she provided it.

Revolutionary War Record of George Nickey II

In the Lancaster County Return of muster rolls by Colonel Alexander
Lowry, appears George Nickey's name in 7th Battalion, 3rd Company, 7th Class
commencing October 1st, 17g1, and through the year 1782 and 1783. See
Penna. Arch. vii Series. "A true and exact list of the names of each and
every male white person inhabiting or residing within my district in the
Third Company of Seventh Battalion of Lancaster County Militia between the
age of eighteen and fifty-three years."

After his father's death George Nickey married Christina Eversole, dau. of Barbara Eversole of Dauphin Co., Penna.

On the terms of his father's Will it took 16 years to buy out the $29\frac{1}{2}$ acres. Eleonora, the mother, and widow, signed a statement (in Lancaster Court Records) that she had received the money, April 27, 1790.

On May 1, 1790; George Nickey and wife Christina sold this land to John Minnigh, and then removed to Cumberland County, near Carlilse. They were enumerated in the U. S. Census, 1790, in Cumberland County, which shows the following:

Children born in Lancaster County:

son, under 16, (John)

son, under 16, (David)

son, under 16, (Samuel)

dau. (Anne) along with his wife, and his mother, making three females.

The Nickeys in Cumberland County

On April 16, 1790, a deal was closed whereby George Nickey II bought a tract of land of Wm. Livingstone Junior, in West Pennsborough Twp., close to the County Seat, Carlisle, Cumberland Co., Penna.

In the 16 years elapsed since his father's death (Feb. 1774) the young George Nickey had paid off, or bought, his parents' little farmstead of $29\frac{1}{2}$ acres in accordance with his father's Will. This had been the maintenance fund of his mother, Johanna Eleonora.

Now she was very aged, he was married and had four children. Le wanted to expand his activities. So he had selected Cumberland County as the location of a larger farm. On 4/27-1790, the widow Johanna Eleonora acknowledged receipt of the money for the land—(as per will) from George, her son. On 5/1-1790, George Nickey and wife, Christina, sold the $29\frac{1}{2}$ acres to John Minnigh. (Deed Book K.K., p. 620, Lancaster Co., Penna). And, thereupon, with his aged mother, his wife and four children, he moved to his new home in Cumberland County.

This move was more auspicious than these simple notes indicate. Although George Nickey did not realize it, he was moving to establish a dynasty in Cumberland County. He was to live long and prosper in this County. His descendants were to remain in the County, and become a large Family. His line was to "take root" and become "like a banyan tree", of good Nickey men, now known as the Cumberland County line of Nickeys.

Church

Young George Nickey's parents had been swept off their feet by the beginning enthusiasm of the Moravian doctrines. They had, themselves, tried
out these theories. They had given them up as not practical, beautiful
though they were. The Nickeys, in Lancaster County had been left without
church connections. They were neither Lutherians, nor Moravians.

But in Cumberland County, once more young George Nickey found desirable church communication agreeable to his religious feeling. This was the Mennonite Church, whether of the orthodox, old type, or the newer Tunkards, or Dunkards, is not known. But, it must be recorded, that this Cumberland County line became deeply ingrained churchmen, clinging closely to the doctrines and practices of this Organization, becoming ministers, and missionaries, even to far India. They have been more like the Founder, and his dauntless wife, than the descendants of either the David Nickey line, or of the John Nickey line.

As it has turned out, the name "Nickey" is very common in Cumberland County, now, 150 years later. There exists a Nickey Association, which meets annually at Carlisle, or there abouts.

The young men of this Cumberland County Clan sought land in Illinois, and settled in Macon County, in and about Decatur. They wrote their names into the pages of Macon County History in the educational field as well as the Church of the Brethren, as this present day Mennonite organization has voted to name itself. (See later biographical material)

For some loyal descendant of George Nickey II it remains to collect the data, and write the Genealogy, complete, of the Cumberland County Pennsylvania line. It will require time and research through the Family Bibles still extant, and through the grave yards of the neat little rural stone churches in the Gaps, and Valleys, of the Blue Ridge Mountains. It will require weeks of research reading and copying Wills, and Deeds, in the County Offices at Carlisle. When completed, it will be a volume of size, and extremely interesting, well worth the labor and the cost. And, more, it is due the coming generation of Nickey men and women.

(See the record of wills filed at Carlisle.)

Third Generation

DIVISION ONE



THE DAUGHTER OF A REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIER (Carrying on the story of Samuel Nickey)

On a Sunday afternoon, late in September, 1929, in the long-forsaken burying-ground of old Concord there had gathered an unusual assemblage of people. This pioneer grave-yard of Northeastern Indiana is in Smith Township of Whitley County, lying six miles east of Columbia City, the county-seat. The visitors on this Sunday afternoon were the members of the Columbia City Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and, in addition, descendants of Anna Catherine Balsley, wife of Samuel Nickey, even to great, great, great grandchildren residing in the Community.

They had met to unveil a bronz tablet, which had been placed on her grayed tombstone, recalling that she was the daughter of a Revolutionary soldier. The stars and stripes covered her headstone, and flags marked the graves of two of her sons, Jacob, and Henry, and of a grandson, Austin, all near by. A slender youth, a great, great, great grandson, sounded reveille with his clarinet, and then played the air, "The Star-Spangled Banner." The leading attorney of Columbia City followed with an address, appreciative of the Revolutionary Soldiers and of the Pioneers who had extended the Nation across the Continent. Two sweet young great, great, great granddaughters then drew aside the flags covering the marker, whereupon the following account of Anna Catherine Balsley-Nickey's life was read:

ANNA CATHERINE BALSLEY, wife of SAMUEL NICKEY I

"The woman honored here, today, was the daughter and eldest-born of Christian Balsley, Ensign of the 2nd Company, 3rd Battalion, Lancaster County Militia, Pennsylvania.* He was in the service of the Colony from

^{*} He was born May 1, 1750, in Lancaster (now Lehigh) Co. Penna.

He was the son of Peter Baltzli and his wife, Elizabeth

Gessler both of Switzerland, who had settled in Pennsylvania, 1754.

June, 1775 to December, 1782, according to the Pennsylvania Archives. At the outbreak of hostilities with the Mother Country, he brought to the Colony the Swiss love of liberty, and enrolled immediately in the first muster of troops in Lancaster County. He brought to the Colony, also, an expert training in fire arms, being by trade a gunsmith, and expert with the rifle. He participated actively in the Campaign of Washington around New York, and in the subsequent Jersey campaigns. Activity in the Middle Colonies ceased in 1780, as Gen. Clinton and Lord Cornwallis moved their attack to the Carolinas. Washington called the Maryland line and the Southern troops to meet this maneuvre, leaving the Pennsylvanians to hold their own territory. In this lull of actual hostilities Christian Balsley, now promoted to Ensign of his Company, found time to court and marry a debutante caughter of two of the most well-to-do families of Lancaster County, none other than Elizabeth Keinadt, daughter of Michael Keinadt and Margaret Diller, and granddaughter of the then late well-known Casper Diller of New Holland, and Barbara Diller, his wife.

Of this romantic marriage the first-born was his daughter, Anna Catherine, whose birth in May, 1731, we celebrate, today, with this bronz marker, near one hundred fifty years later.

At the close of the War, Christian seems to have been still stationed at the pleasent Pennsylvania village of Reamstown, but as he was mustered out of military service for his Country, he was transferred into its technical service, the skill and knowledge of his craft being needed in the important military base at Reading, pioneer in the iron industry, where the cannon were produced for the Continental Army and which town was to retain the supremacy in the manufacture of ordnance for one hundred years.

To this new home and new life Ensign Balsley took his wife and child.

Reading was founded by the sons of William Penn, Thomas and Richard. Chosen,

no doubt, for its scenic beauty and delightful climate, this estate embrace the upper Schuylkill River and Tulpehocken Creek in the Blue Ridge Mountains. These Englishmen, sons of the Great Founder, had brought into this town of Reading and its vicinity the English type of Georgian architecture modified by the Welsh stone work in walls and fireplaces, which may be seen today, still, in hundreds of houses in this district.

In some such home as this the little Anna Catherine spent her girlhood, except the years when her parents entrusted her to the school of the Swiss Sisters in the Cloisters at Ephrata; though only twenty miles away, yet a day's journey as traveling was then. Here the wooden pillows of the Sisters were softened to the tender heads and shoulders of the children in their "Kloster School." The tender minds and hands were trained in the fine arts of music, embroidery, lace-making and cookery. On the Holy Saturday they attended the high service in the Great Saal, and shared in the fragrant meals served from the huge kettles to the Gemein assembled from the country for miles around.

But another center of the iron industry seemed to be calling Christian Balsley, particularly so since his wife's family had removed to Cumberland County where now resided Conrad, her brother, his army chum, and George Adam, his wife's favorite brother. Their letters came postmarked "Carlilse," and the letters persisted in reciting the opportunities developing, there, in the iron industry; and they spoke of its cultivated people. The letters said: 'Here are six or seven furnaces, a large rolling-mill, and several forges; Carlilse is on the turn-pike from Harrisburg to Pittsburg; and on the Public Square, alone, are four churches.' 'In 1783,' the letters said, 'a college was founded here, and named for John Dickinson, who signed the Declaration of Independence. Reverand Charles Nisbet, D.D. has come from Montrose, Scotland, to be its President. Your daughter, Anna Catherine, and your other children, may get a fine education here, right at home under

their mother's care. (#)

To please his wife Christian sought, and obtained, the management of a chain of forges at Carlilse. Thereupon in the summer of 1792, the Balsleys established themselves in the town of Carlilse, whose citizens were 'noted for their intelligence and orderly habits; residence of a circle of distinguished professional men attached to the college and the army, and to the different professions, who impart an elevated tone to the society of the place.'

The United States Barracks, located here, furnished a set of military men in whom Christian found a common meeting ground. Shortly after he had established himself here, the Whiskey Rebellion broke out and his great General, George Washington, now President of the United States, made headquarters in Carlilse, until the matter was settled. This was a thrilling week for the soldier who had fired the first shot at the Battle of Long Island, and who had served in the Revolutionary War for eight years. A thrilling week, too, for his daughter, Anna Catherine, now a girl of twelve.

Carlilse, as well as Reading, reflected the social and commercial life of Philadelphia, which during this period was the metropolis of the new Republic, and lavish in gaiety and good-living, altogether the most sumptuous city of the thirteen States. In this atmosphere of culture Anna Catherine lived and developed into womanhood in College, Church, sports, making, and keeping friends. But

'There is a force that shapes our ends Rough hew them as we may.'

In this soft life of Anna Catherine, quiet forces were shaping a future far otherwise. This child of a swashbuckler Swiss soldier and an

^(#) Dickinson College and Institute - 1783: The original Charter granted by the Legislature reads:

[&]quot;that in memory of the great and important services rendered to his country by his Excellency, John Dickinson, Esq., President of the Supreme Executive Council, and in commemoration of his very liberal donation to the institution, and said college shall be forever hereafter called and known by the name of Dickinson College."

Sherman Day, 1843 "Selections and Biographical Sketches"

accomplished English-speaking mother was to know real pioneering, and was to lead a Clan Westward. Carlilse proved to be only a stepping stone into the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia where Anna Catherine's grandparents and the Keinadt Clan had already, in a decade, made themselves known, as a family, near Staunton in Augusta County. Following these, as early, as the opening of the nineteenth century the Balsley family established itself on the slopes of the Blue Ridge in the primeval forests of the upper boundary of this County, on the edge of civilization. Here our young woman learned to compromise with the simplicity and deprivation of pioneer life.

Now, of necessity, she learned to live in the saddle. Of necessity the dimities, the silks, the "sun-downs" and quilted satin coats were replaced by riding skirts of heavy sturdy cottons or alpacas, by redingotes and caps or snug hoods, by furs and thick gloves. Now for the first time, she came to know and love her grandmother, Margaret Diller. The occasional week in the lower Valley at the Keinadt homestead, and the Keinadt Lutheran Church, so much a part of it, were her only social events except the journeys to Staunton for shopping when she was a guest of the daughters of General Porterfield and had a taste of Virginia social life.

Anna may have spun, may have spent days at the loom, but chief of her activities were the classesof her younger brothers and sisters and of the little children of her father's hired hands which met in her mother's house daily to do their lessons and to learn to sing. All the beauty and art of her earlier cultural opportunities were now taught these little pioneer youngsters.

In time the substantial house of Christian Balsley styled a Swiss chalet, was built, and social invitations could be extended for an outing or a hunt in the forest. On one of these occasions the Porterfield girls brought in their party, a youngish man from Woodstock, a Dr. Samuel Nickey, who had lately settled there on Middle River, formerly from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. He was interesting, not too young; his father, David Nickey, had been

surgeon to the 3rd Battalion of Lancaster County troops in the War, and a part of the medical Corps of General James Hand of Lancaster town. This common background with Catherine's father made him an acceptable guest, at once. Out of this visit developed a series in rapid succession, so that on New Year's Day 1806, the Swiss Chalet on the slopes of the Blue Ridge put on an aspect of great hospitality, to celebrate the marriage of Anna Catherine to Samuel Nickey the son of an army-friend of her father.

For this celebration the Keinadt kinsmen, on the lower edge of the County, laden with heirlooms and with useful things for the future, made the journey in great state to honor the bride and groom. The General Porterfield family added a military touch and the aristocratic atmosphere of Virginia society. Gowned in stiff white silk with high waist, girdled under the bust, low neck and puff sleeves, the bride's ruddy complexion, lustrous gray eyes and walnut-brown hair glinting with the copper of her grandmother's red-head, seemed brilliantly beautiful. The eager groom, quite professional, was clad in gray silk breeches and hose, short red 'weskit', black cut-a-way frock coat and tall black silk hat.

Of the feast, there was wild game, and tame. Swiss entrees and cheeses, pastries, and cordials, served with German lavishness. Drinking? Army men 'kept their jug,' and physicians prescribed 'stimulants' as well as enjoyed them.

The infare journey was planned to begin early the following morning. But the preparations were a matter of considerable care---first the heavy wagon drawn by two strong horses must be loaded with the hair-covered trunks containing the trousseau, the barrels of dishes and gifts, and the 'melodeon' which Anna had purchased of her own income. The breakfast, a stout meal against a long tedious day's ride, must be put on for guests and family as well as bride and groom. Now the colored hostlers are leading up the restless riding horses, and holding them ready for the mounting of the departing cavalcade. Farewells and good wishes are repeated, while

a hunter's horn sounds out as the train winds down the slopes and a burst of shots from the numerous rifles of the Chalet make a farewell salute.

The infare of Anna Catherine Balsley into her station as wife of Dr. Samuel Nickey closed one period of twenty-five years in her life and opened another. Now she dwelt in the midst of her mother's kinsmen, and with her husband became a communicant of the Keinadt family Lutheran Church. Here her first child was christened David, honoring the paternal grandfather. When Margaret Diller Keinadt was laid in her grave by that of Michael, Anna Catherine, looked for the last time on her beloved grandmother, whose dignity had meant so much to her. The War of 1812 called her husband to its service, and, although the short duration of this conflict exacted no toll of blood, yet, by the same token, it became a service financially disastrous to the ambitious Samuel. For, with his wife's approval, and on the advice of her father, Christian Balsley, erstwhile gun smith in the Government service, Dr. Nickey had invested heavily in the manufacture of ammunition, which risk became a total loss.

At the close of the War of 1812, the Nickeys settled in Staunton for some years. Later they purchased a farm carved out of the domain of Christian Balsley, and on this farm, surrounded by his interesting family of sons and daughters, Dr. Nickey ended his days and passed from them, in February of 1832. His sons carried him down the slopes of the Blue Ridge and laid him in the burying-ground at the Keinadt Church.

This bereavement closed the second period of Anna Catherine's life, now a widow at fifty, although ten lively patterns of her husband, their father, remained to comfort her. Hardly would she have accepted the twentieth century caption, 'Life begins at forty', but, at least, nineteenth century women had ceased to be decrepit derelicts at fifty. With ten children looking into the future, but one course of action remained for her, and her generalship was demanded.

The Shenandoah Valley was populated in 1832. The forests had been removed. The famous river was mantled with wide-reaching farms to the

very tip of all of its branches. Orchards of apple and peach were rose with bloom in Spring and red with fruit in Autumn. Elegant and roomy brick mansions had replaced the early pioneer houses. Architectural blends of the Pennsylvania and Virginia Colonial developed a style peculiar to the Shenandoah, of great beauty, a style so traceable now wherever the children of these establishments migrated in the National Domain to find new Valleys to conquer. These red brick, white trimmed, green-shuttered farm houses were teeming with well-brought up families, but the acres that had produced both had also increased in their value a hundred-fold. Cheap land for development by the young generation must be sought elsewhere, and at this stage of the Nation's history those lands were opened in Ohio, and beyond the Wabash. To these, then, Anna Catherine must lead the way with her

With keen and clear decision inherited from her soldier father Anna Catherine turned the eyes of her family to the Northwest Territory. With unanimity preparations were made, and in the early autumn of the same year the migration was begun. The Queen Bee led her young swarm down the beautiful Valley of the Shenandoah, down toward the well-known ferry at Oldtown, on the Potomac. Here the friends, who had come along a piece, said farewell, and turned the heads of their horses back, back to Staunton. But the Nickey Clan when across the upper Potomac, followed trails now well marked, into the West, on to the Ohio's gathering waters, trails used by Braddock and George Washington, and frequented daily now by homeseekers moving into the new Territory.

It is not written down whether they crossed the Ohio at Wheeling, or above Wheeling, but the Nickey Cavalcade ferried over, and then, facing still the setting sun soon rested their herd of cattle, Their weary teams of horses, their own strenuous daily travel and routine procedure. In the new lands above Chillicothe, on the picturesque Paint Creek, they settled to begin again, in what is now Ross County, Ohio.

Whatever opportunities the Public Domain afforded her, it is evident

and Upper Wabash in Indiana. In this Ohio County, in advance of the caval-cade from the Great Valley Virginia was a young Irishman, Francis Tulley, the sweetheart of Mary Ann, tall and sedate eldest daughter of the Nickey family. Under the lure of these new opportunities offered by the Government, these young lovers made a romantic plan. Their honey-moon should be the two-week's journey to the land-office at Fort Wayne, their first business venture in common, the selection of their own lands in the forests on Eel River, upper tributary of the Wabash, very heart of the realm of the Miami Indians.

This honeymoon, as dreamed by the young Francis Tulley and his dauntless fiancee, was carried through in the Spring of 1834. The land they purchased lies just across this highway here to the East. The log house they built, amost a hundred years ago, became a civic center for the settlers who followed in the next few years.

The contagion of this adventure caught the entire Nickey Clan. In the very same year, David, Samuel, and Jacob married belles of Ross County and thought of following their sister Mary Ann. The queen mother Anna Catharine instead of laying down her role of leader again ordered the Conestoga wagons to be spread with their canopies of white, the mahogany bureaus and tables to be swathed with padding, the art treasurer of weaving, silver, pewter and glass to be packed in chests and barrels. Poised for the second flight, she took her place at the head of the van, and led her family to the scene of the new empire they were to build, later to be named Whitley County, Indiana.

In the midst of her family, soon united again in a community of farms, she prompted or abetted their religious and educational enterprises, enjoyed their children, and gradually let go of life as age crept on.

From this gravelly eminence on the bank of Eel River, dedicated by the Communicants of two Churches once making this Cross-Roads a Community

Center, and named 'Concord,' you, who have assembled here, today, standing among the graves of pioneers, and honoring Anna Catherine Balsley-Nickey as a leader among them, -- you may look to the East, to the West, to the North, and see the homesteads of this Nickey Clan, pioneers here in 1834 and 1835. Across the highway from this spot stood the Methodist Episcopal Church built by an organization made in the cabin of Samuel Nickey, with his mother as promoter; they first built a log church here, succeeded by a frame building in 1851. On the corner diagonally opposite, Jacob Nickey in 1848 built a frame church-house dedicated to the United Brethren in Christ. This Religious Center of Smith Township for half a century was, also, the center of social life, the marriages, the burials, the singing schools, the picnics, and the political rallies and Campaign speeches.

Within view of this corner was the first school house, a school started in the kitchen of Mary Ann Nickey-Tulley. The second school house was on the farm of Jacob Nickey, whose daughter Rose Nickey was the first school-mistress in the County.

The name, Nickey, studs the pages of history in Whitley County, in which they shared responsibility of development, government, and education in an outstanding way. The Clan, over which Anna Catherine Balsley-Nickey ruled, built here, in this fertile Valley of Eel River, a replica of the Shenandoah. Here, if you will but look, in any direction, bathed in the Indian summer haze, you will see a fine rolling landscape, farms dotted with grazing herds, apple and peach orchards, stretches of woodland on the horizon. In the foreground evergreen trees, imported from distant states, tower above roofs of red brick mansions, white trimmed, green shuttered, ells and front porches peculiar to the Shenandoah Valley---achievments these pioneers left to posterity when they were placed in the consecrated ground at your feet.

Thirty years, of widowhood, marked by intelligent leadership, and lack of fear, in guiding the destinies of her children, crowned the life

of Anna Catherine Balsley-Nickey. Tenacious of the amenities of life, of strong convictions, religious temperament, clannish, she set a pace that has left its mark on this great State of the middle-west, and she was, in character, as well as fact, the daughter of a Revolutionary Soldier.



Third Generation Division One

Genealogical Table

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SAMUEL<sup>3</sup> NICKEY I (David<sup>2</sup>, Georg<sup>1</sup>)
       b. 1766, in Saxony, Germany
       d. 2/17-1832, on his farm, Sherando, Augusta Co., Va.
       m. 1/1-1806, Anna Catherine, dau. of Christian and Elizabeth (Keinadt)
              Balsley of Sherando.
                     b. 5/1-1781, Reamstown Lancaster Co., Pa.
                     d. 2/27-1861, on her farm Eel River Smith Tp., Whitley Co., Ind.
       Children:
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              i David, b. 4/22-1808, in Augusta Co., Va. m. Jane E. Balsley.
           ii Samuel I, b. 7/31-1809, in Augusta Co., Va. m. Elizabeth Gradless.
iii Christian, b. 2/10-1810, in Augusta Co., Va. m. Isabel Cooper.
iv Mary Ann Elizabeth, b. 7/12-1812, Augusta Co., Va. m. Francis
Tulley. See Mary Ann Elizabeth Tulley, ff.
                  Jacob, b. 7/1-1814, Augusta Co., Va. m. Elizabeth Briggs.
Rebecca Ann, b. 11/17-1815, Augusta Co., Va. m. Jesse Briggs.
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                     See Rebecca Ann Briggs, ff.
                  Julia Ann, b. 4/4-1819, Augusta Co., Va. m. Elijah Arnold. See Julia Ann Arnold, ff. Rose Ann, b. 2/22-1822, m. Daniel Rice.
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          viii
                  See Rose Ann Rice, ff.
Anna Catherine, b. 2/22-1822, m. Wells Smith.
                     See Anna Catherine Smith. ff.
              x Henry
                          6/15-1825, in Augusta Co.
                     b.
                           2/27-1850, Eel River, Smith Tp., Whitley Co., Ind.
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Born at Sherando, in the Upper Blue Ridge, Henry knew no other life than the frontier. He was not yet seven when he lost his father. With his brothers and mother he went west and was settled on Eel River before he was ten, in the wilderness of the North West Territory. The only son left in his mother's home, he assumed the role of a man in clearing her farm and farming.

He learned early to cut down trees, to drain marsh into Eel River. He knew only the procedure of the earliest pioneers. His health, never robust, became more and more subject to malaria. When 20, one day he was felling a tree. A heavy limb from another tree struck him on the head. He could not be restroed to consciousness by the usual means. The best physicians available were called in consultation with the family. They diagnosed the case as a fracture of the skull. Surgery, in 1848, on the frontier meant little more than death. The family hesitated. While the physicians were delaying, his brother, Samuel, held a watch before Henry's face and asked him the time. Henry whispered it to the minute. The operation was not held. Henry recovered by home remedies.

In the late winter of 1850, Henry was again cutting down a tree--a pioneer's frequent duty. He became over-heated by the exercise, and died in a few days from pneumonia.

He was a lovable and loving youngest son, on whom his mother depended, in her age. He was buried at Concord, where later, his mother and many other relatives were laid to rest.

NAME	BIRTHPLACE	MARRIAGE	DEATH & BURIAL
David	Augusta Co. Virginia 1808 4/22	Jane Balsley b. 8/4 1810 m. 10/20 1840 d. 12/12 1884	April 7, 1870 Buried, Nokomis, Ill. Presbyterian Church
Samuel	Augusta Co. Virginia 1809 7/31	Elizabeth Gradeless b. 5/10 1814 m. 1/22 1834 d. 3/21 1861	August 24, 1864 Buried, Lake Chapel Allen Co., Indiana
Christian	Virginia 1810 2/10	(1) Isabel Cooper b. 5/20 1805 m. 1830 d. 12/30 1874 (2) Mary Sipe m. 6/8 1875	March 13, 1890 Buried, Union City, Indiana
Mary Ann	Augusta Co. Virginia 1812 7/12	Francis Tully b. 4/3 1810 m. 2/26 1833 d. 3/25 1896	March 8, 1895 Buried, Eel River Burying Ground Allen Co., Indiana
Jacob	Virginia 1814 7/1	(1) Elizabeth Briggs b. 7/7 1817 m. 2/2 1834 d. 9/19 1844 (2) Catherine C. Fredericks m. 1/1 1849 d. 12/25 1907	February 4, 1892 Buried, Concord Burying Ground Whitley Co., Indiana
Rebecca Ann	Augusta Co. Virginia 1815 11/17	Jesse Briggs b. 5/6 1813 m. 1837 d. 11/3 1862	July 23, 1899 Buried, Eel River Burying Ground Allen Co., Indiana
Julia Ann	Augusta Co. Virginia 1819 4/4	Elijah Arnold b. 4/23 1813 m. d. 9/23 1868	September 19, 1868 Buried, Eel River Burying Ground Allen Co., Indiana
Rose Ann	Augusta Co. Virginia 1822 2/22	Daniel Rice b. m. 1838 d. 1901	November 7, 1862 Buried, Concord Burying Ground Whitley Co., Indiana
Anna Catherine	Augusta Co. Virginia 1822 2/22	Wells Smith b. 3/6 1820 m. 3/21 1847 d. 1/24 1898	December 6, 1898 Buried, Concord Burying Ground Whitley Co., Indiana
Henry	Augusta Co. Virginia 1825 6/15	Did Not Marry	February 27, 1850 Buried, Concord Whitley Co., Indiana



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iv Mary Ann Elizabeth⁴, b. 7/12-1812, at Staunton, Va. m. 2/26-1833, Francis Tulley in Ross Co., Ohio; he d. 3/25-1896; she d. 3/3-1895, at Columbia City, Ind.

One of the most dignified matrons of Columbia City, Indiana, in the last half of the Nineteenth Century, was Mary Ann (Nickey) Tulley. She was naturally aristocratic in temperament. She was tall, carried herself erect and with poise, even in her eighth decade of years. She lived in one of the largest frame town-houses in the city, which, built just after the Civil War, in the 60's had taken on "age" the mark of a first family. Unconsciously she revealed an attitude of security born of assured income. Her husband, Francis Tulley, whom she had se happily married on the 26th of February, 1833, at Frankfort, Ohio, was as much like a retired banker or journalist of the day, as one could hope to see, in the Middle West, when with his ample walking stick, his black alpace coat, his alert penetrating dark eyes and fringe of white whiskers worn a la Horace Greeley, he called at the bank, or the post office, or sat on his front porch and watched "the town go by."

But the Tulleys had earned this repose and dignity of age.

Their granddaughter, Elnora (Tulley) Knight, of Los Angeles has described their early married life. She says:

"Early in 1834 Francis Tulley and his young wife Mary Ann Elizabeth moved by wagon through almost wilderness, to Indiana, where they bought eighty acres of land in what is now known as Smith Township, Whitley County, undergoing all the privations and toil incident to pioneer life in an unbroken forest. They built a log cabin. A bed-comfort was used as a hanging at the open door. They kept a brush fire going all day and all night to keep wild animals from killing their stock or coming into the cabin. Their nearest white neighbors, for months, were five miles away, where Francis would walk to help cut and roll logs, for help in return. They were not far from the Indian Village, capital of the Miami Tribe. Mary Ann Tulley would not see a white face for weeks; but the Indians were quite friendly. They would come to trade berries and honey for bread or what they could get."

Their infant, Rose Ann, born in 1834 was the first white child born in Whitley County. When little Rose Ann was of school-age, her mother secured the service of some journeyman schoolmaster, and opened the first school in her own kitchen. School was held here, until, in 1839. Jacob Nickey built a school-house (log) on his farm, three miles away, where little Rose Ann Tulley went to school with a number of Nickey cousins, for another number of years.

Francis and Mary Ann supported the Methodist Church organization which had been formed in Samuel Nickey's cabin in 1834. They donated logs to build the log church which stood in the pioneer church-yard and burying ground at Concord (cross roads) near the Tulley farm. This was replaced in 1851 by a frame church. But, when Jacob Nickey built the frame church in 1848, to be used by the United Brethren in Christ, Francis and Mary Ann Tulley donated the ground upon which it was constructed; they became adherents of this denomination; when they moved to the county seat, Columbia City, to reside, they helped organize a United Brethren in Christ Church in town, and remained members of this until their death.

When they moved to Columbia City (1872) they had acquired enough land to give each of their four children an eighty acre tract, beside another farm near Churubusco, Indiana. On the home farm they had erected an substantial frame residence in the type of the Shenandoah Valley.

Children:

1. Rose Ann, b. 9/15-1834; m. John Krider 1857. He died 11/6-1903. They lived on the farm given them until her husband's death, when she moved to Columbia City.

- (1) Noah Webster Krider, b. 1860. He d. 1885. He did not marry.
- (2) Rosa Krider, b. 1869. d. 1871.(3) Bertie Krider, b. 1874. d. 1885.

Noah Webster Krider received his education in Columbia City High School; good musical education; taught school a few years; went into business installing an up-to-date book and music store in Columbia City, in partnership with John Liggett, his friend. Soon after he developed tuberculosis and died. After his death, Rose Ann Tulley Krider, childless, devoted her entire time and means to philanthropy. At her death she bequeathed the residue of her estate to the United Brethren Church in Columbia City.

2. William Asbury Tulley

b. 11/24-1836.

- m. (1) 2/12-1859, Eliza Jane Reed, dau. of Henry and Sarah (Metsker) Reed, of Churubusco, Indiana, who was a pupil in the school he was teaching. Then he moved to Columbia City and entered the business of ambrotyping and photography and later, in the hardware business. She d. 1863.
- m. (2) 10/18-1870 Mrs. Allie (Bodley) Spear.

Children:

(1) Elnora E. Tulley, dau. of Eliza Jane Reed Tulley, b. 5/30-1860. m. (1) Isaac H. Pidgeon, 4/25-1882. He died at her father's farm, in Whitley County, Ind. She m. (2) 11/29-1902, Henry Knight, a wealthy farmer of Whitley County.

Children:

(1)a Alta April Pidgeon
b. 4/13-1883. Educated in Public Schools of Kirkville,
Mo., Columbia City, Ind., and the University of Valparaiso, Ind. m. Albert Ross Knight, son of Henry and
Lavinia (Yeagel) Knight, in St. Paul, Minn. Mr. and
Mrs. Albert Ross Knight removed later, to Los Angeles,
and have established their home in Monterey Park, an
aristocratic residential suburb.

Children:

(1)b Louise Knight, m. Willard Hazzard, of Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Children:

- (1)^c Donna Darlene Hazzard, b. 10/1-1928. (2)^c Gary Richard Hazzard, b. 2/2-1931.
- (2)b Lucille Knight, m. Russell Lang, and resides in Los Angeles.
- (3)^b Beulah Knight, m. Levert Green. They reside in Los Angeles.
- (4)b Jack Knight, m. Ruby Freidley. Residence, Los Angeles.
- (5)b Norine Knight, m. Kenneth Martin. Resides in Los Angeles.
- (6)b Mary Katherine Knight, b. in Ft. Wayne, Ind.
- (7)b Robert Knight, b. in Ft. Wayne, Ind. (8)b Jean Knight, b. in Ft. Wayne. d.y.

(2)a Karlton Isaac Pidgeon, b. July 17, 1898. He was educated in Columbia City Indiana. While in High School, he voluntarily enlisted, December 1, 1917, for the World War. He served in Battery C., 18th Field Artillery, 3rd Division.

October 1918 he was in the hospital at Limoges, France, wounded, gassed, and shell-shocked; still in hospital when the Armistice was signed, November 11,

1918.

Karlton I. Pidgeon was discharged from Camp Zachariah Taylor hospital Louisville, Kentucky, February 15, 1919. He was decorated with the French Croix de Guerre, with the Palm, the United States Purple Heart, Valor medal for Military Merits, the French Chateau Thierry Medal, St. Mihiel Medal, and Verdun Medal.

He attended the University of Southern California Law School, was graduated from South Western Law School L. L. P. He was the first president of Phi Delta Sigma Law Fraternity, South Western University.

Karlton I. Pidgeon is on the finance-advisory staff of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, Los

Angeles Branch.

In 1921, while in Florida, he married Jewel Wilson. She d. 1925, leaving a daughter.

Children:

- (1) Shirley Georgine Pidgeon
- (3) Ilene Milre Knight, b. March 10, 1908. She received her education in Columbia City, Indiana and Los Angeles, California, where her mother removed in 1919. Ilene Milre married Russel N. Marks, son of Benjamin and Jennie (Carl) Marks of Pennsylvania, October 4, 1924. They reside in Los Angeles and have three children.

- Children:
 (1)^b Betty Elnora Marks
 - (2)b Robert E. Marks
 - (3)b David L. Marks

Elnora E., daughter of William A. and Eliza Jane (Reed) Tulley, after the death of her mother, lived with her grandparents, Francis and Mary Ann (Nickey) Tulley. In 1872 she removed with her grandparents to Columbia City and finished her education in the town schools, Rev. A. J. Douglass, Superintendent, and Smith J. Hunt, Principal of the High School.

Elnora was confirmed, a member of the Lutheran Church, by

Pastor Jacob Balsley in 1876.

She was united in marriage with Isaac H. Pidgeon by Pastor J. N. Barnett. Mr. Pidgeon was a hardware merchant at Wilmington, Ohio, where they resided until 1888, when they removed to Kirks-

ville, Missouri.

In 1892 Mr. Pidgeon was appointed Postmaster at Pleona, Missouri, by Grover Cleveland. In 1895 this position was resigned to return to Columbia City where Mrs. Pidgeon's aged grandmother, very ill, needed her granddaughter. Elnora was at her bedside when Mary Ann (Nickey) Tulley crossed the bar.

In Los Angeles Elnora later took an administrative job in the Good Will Industries Inc. and served there until 1938, when she retired. To thousands she is known as "Mother Sunshine." In her 80th year she is very gay and active, a remarkable woman. She is interested in genealogy and fine needlework as hobbies.

3. Cyrus Balsley Tulley, b. August 1839. m. Fannie Krider, dau. of Jeremiah Krider of Churubusco, Oct. 25, 1859. In 1865 he began the study of law in Columbia City, Ind. He engaged in surveying, 1866; was elected Town Clerk and Town Trustee, 1867; County Surveyor, 1871; City Marshal, 1872. He was elected to the Indiana State Legislature 1872-1874, and re-elected 1878-1880. The History of Whitley County records him as one of its most able lawyers. He was an ardent Democrat.

Children:

- (1) Ambersine Tulley
 - b. ----1860
 - m. ----1883, Franklin Foust of a well-known banker's family of Columbia City. They owned and operated a farm near South Whitley, Ind. Both are now deceased.

Children:

- (1)^a Millie Foust
- (2)^a Lee Foust
- (3) a Blanche Foust
- (4)^a Donald Foust
- (5)a Ray Foust
- (6)^a Esther Foust
- (7)a Carl Foust
- (8)^a Lulu Foust
- Rose Tulley, m. Frederick Shnider of Columbia City, a blacksmith by trade.
 - Children:
 - (1) Paul Shnider, m. ----, lives at Walla Walla, Washing-
- 4. Wesley Clark Tulley

b. 1C/18-1841, Whitley County, Indiana
d. 11/17-1912, on the original Tulley Homestead which he owned.
m. 2/27-1868, Elmira Elizabeth Knaga, dau. of Christian and Eliza
Jene (Stout) Knaga of Union Twp., Whitley County. She was b.
9/23-1841, in Strasburg, Ohio. She d. in Whitley County, Ind.
6/16-1930 in her 89th year.
In time Wesley Clark Tulley took over the original Tulley
homestead. He was a prosperous farmer. He replaced the frame house built by his fether with the fine red brick residence -- white trim, green shutters, set in evergreens -- which still stands there and is now occupied by his daughter Beulah, who married Homer Riley.

- (4)^a Frances Elizabeth Tulley b. 6/3-1903
 - m. --- Frazier.

- (1)^b Pauline Frazier, m. ---
- (2)b Gladys Frazier
- (3)b Alice Frazier, d. y.
- (4) Dora Belle Frazier, d. y.
- (5)^b Daton Frazier
- $(6)^{b}$ A son
- (2) Cozette Tulley b. ---- 1872
 - ---- 1904
- (3) Pearl Jane Tulley
 - b. 10/10-1874d. 2/2-1907 2/2-1907
 - ---- Holly Hull. No children.
- (4) Carl V. Tulley b. 8/22-1881

 - m. 12/23-1906 Hazel Briggs, dau. of William and Artie (Colemen) Briggs of Columbia City, Ind. She was b. 1885. She d. 1918.

Children:

- (1)a Wesley Briggs Tulley, b. 9/16-1907
- (2)a Juanita Estelle Tulley

b. 5/28-1909

m. 3/24-1929 Joseph Pence, son of Roy Pence

Children:

- (1) Barbara Jean Pence, b. 8/6-1930
- (3)a Virginia Yvonne Tulley, b. 4/10-1912
- (5) Beulah Vesta Tulley

5/5-1915 Homer Riley, son of Samuel Smith and Elizabeth (Pumphrey) Riley. He was b. 10/29-1880.

Children:

- $(1)^a$ Beulah Dawn Riley. b. 4/9-1916
- (2)a Samuel Tulley Riley, b. 3/30-1919
- $(3)^{a}$ Louis Rex Riley, b. 11/2-1921

Beulah Vesta and her husband own, and reside on the original Tulley Homestead established by Mary Ann Elizabeth NICKEY and her husband, Francis Tulley, in the spring of 1834. This land and homestead has remained continuously in the Tulley Family for 116 years.

(6) Myrtle Tulley
b. 1/2-1885
m. 7/31-1904 Toby Jerry Krider

Children:

(1)^a Algernon Tulley Krider

b. 9/10-1905 He entered Wabash College. Member of the class of 1929.

11/?-1927 Laura Gingrich, member of the class of 1927 at DePauw University.

Children:

(1)b Donald Krider

(2)b James Krider

(2)^a Myrtle Mona Krider b. 5/25-1909 m. 11/19-1932 Ralph L. Shiveley of Fort Wayne, Ind.

(3)a Toby Jerry Krider, Jr. b. 6/20-1922

vi Rebecca Ann

b. 11/17-1815, Staunton, Va.
d. 7/18-1899, Smith Tp., Whitley Co., Ind.

ma 2/2-1834, Jesse Briggs, son of Samuel and Agnes (Shepperd) Briggs of Ross Co., Ohio, who settled there 1798. He was b. 5/2-1813, Ross Co., Ohio. d. 11/3-1862, Whitley Co., Ind.

Children:

1. Anna Catherine Briggs

b. 12/1-1834, Greene Co., Ohio.

m. 3/11-1852, Anderson Huse Long, son of Jesse and Hannah (Hegler)

Long, of Smith Tp., Whitley Co., Ind. They removed to Keokuk

County, Iowa; later to Douglass, Kensas; then to Omaha,

Nebraska. He died at Omaha, 12/31-1898. She d. 1/7-1901 at Alma, Nebraska.

Children:

Anora Long, d.y. Allen Long, d.y.

Eva May Long, b. 3/16-1862, Richland, Iowa. She m. 7/22-1884, James Granville Thompson. He was born at Abingdon, Va., 5/31-1859. He died at Alma, Neb., 7/31-1935. He was graduated from the University of Iowa, Bachelor of Law. He served seven terms as Mayor of Alma. See "Who's Who in America.

Eva May (Long) Thompson was a charter member of the Republican Valley Chapter, D. A. R., and both she and her husband were charter members of Excelsior Chapter, O. E. S.

Children:

(1)^a Ethel Katherine Thompson b. 4/24-1888. Resides in New York City. She is a staff member of the Administrative Division of the Equitable Life Assurance Company.

(2)a Mary Mayma Thompson b. 11/11-1889. Resides at Alma, Nebraska.

> Mary Mayma is a natural organizer, and talented business woman. Besides being actively in the Insurance business she has contributed to the social life of Alma, Nebraska, in the following way:

As organizing Regent she formed the Republican Valley Chapter D. A. R., 2/2-1935, and served as Regent a number of years. At present she is Secretary of this Chapter. She attended the 48th Continental Congress of D. A. R. in Washington D. C. Likewise she is a Past Worthy Matron of Excelsior Chapter O. E. S., and a Past President of Chapter BJ, P. E. O., and now corresponding secretary. She is a Past President of Van Meter Woman's Relief Corps, and was delegate to the Cincinnati national encampment of G. A. R. and W. R. C.



* 2. Adeline Briggs, b. 2/17-1835, m. Leander Slagle, farmer, Churubusco, Indiana.

3. Allison Briggs, b. 3/12-1837, m. Susan DePuy, farmer, Columbia City, Indiana. A Civil War Veteran, member of Company B. 74th Indiana Volunteer Infantry.

** 4. Almira Briggs, b. 4/22-1851, m. Dr. A. C. Wilkins, Physician and Surgeon, of Towa. Both now deceased.

Surgeon, of Iowa. Both now deceased.

5. Alpha Briggs, b. 1/28-1854, m. Artie Coleman, farmer, Collins, Ind.

*** 6. Dillie Briggs, b. 8/23-1856, m. Frank Mossman, farmer, South Whitley, Indiana.

7. Allie Briggs, b. 7/28-1860, m. Dr. Geo. Gibson, Ft. Wayne, Ind.

8. Charles A. Briggs, b. 11/28-1858, m. Mary Miller, farmer, Columbia City, Indiana. twins

9. William Briggs, b. 11/28-1858, m. Stella Lincoln, farmer, Columbia City, Indiana.

After 28 years of wedded life Rebecca Ann (Nickey) Briggs was left a widow. At least seven of her children were still under her roof-tree, some of them young children. She remained a widow 37 years. She reared all her children to maturity, and married them off into leading families of Whitley and Allen Counties. In every way she was a duplicate of her splendid mother, Anna Catherine (Balsley) Nickey.

* Children of:

Merritt Slagle

Jennie Slagle

May Slagle

Luella Slagle
 Homer Slagle
 Alma Slagle

** A daughter, Mrs. E. B. Walters, resides at Broken Bow, Nebraska.

*** Brother of

James Albert Mossman, m. Sarah Elizabeth Briggs

Alcinda Mossman, m. David W. Nickey

Orpha Mossman, m. Addison Boyd Nickey. See Fifth Generation.

vii Julia Ann b. 4/4-1819, Staunton, Va. d. 9/19-1868, Allen Co., Ind. m. 7/4-1835 Elijah Arnold b. 4/23-1813. d. 9/23-1868.

At the girlish age of fifteen, Julis Ann Nickey saw her mother's pioneer log house go up on Eel River; she helped her mother move and arrange the mahogany chests of drawers, the tables, the four-poster beas, and the china which had been carried all the way from Virginia. In a few years she entertwined interesting young men friends at her mother's big fire place, and chose from among them Elijah Arnold to be her husband. They were pioneer farmers, too, but he, also, taught school in Allen County. Scarcely had they celebrated their silver wedding when both fell ill, and passed away within four days of each other. Their funeral service was held at the Eel River Chapel and in the church yard, there, they were laid to rest.

Children:

1. Eli Arnold b. 4/9-1836. m.Matilda Hollopeter. They had 3 children. 2. Hester Arnold b. 11/11-1840. m. Hiram Porter, 2/26-1857. They had ll children. 3. Albert Arnold b. 11/26-1853.

m. Almeda Johnson, 2/29-1876. They had 9 children.

4. Mary, died aged 15 yrs.5. William Arnold

b. 3/26-1860.

m. Frances LaTourette. No children.

6. Charles Arnold

b. 3/12-1865.

m. Almira Boyer, 3/4-1886. They had 6 children.

7. Henry Arnold

b.

m. Catharine Mahon. They had 4 children.

Henry is still living on a farm on the east bank of Eel River in Allen County. It may be the original Elizah Arnold homestead.

It is thought that Charles is still living.

The descendants of this family were largely residents of Allen County.

viii Rose Ann

b. 2/22-1822, Sherando, Va.

d. 11/7-1862, Smith Tp. Whitley Co., Ind.

m. ----1838, Daniel B. Rice, of Oneida County, N. Y. He d. Fairmont, Minn. 1901.

Rose Ann and her twin sister, Anna Catharine, being girls of 12, very likely felt that their mother had established her home in an untouched garden of wild flowers under the beeches, sugar maples and sycamores along Eel River. They may have imagined themselves Indian maidens, much of the time. Nevertheless they had their horses and saddles. A few miles away were the families of older sisters and brothers; soon, too, young men, from Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, came to the settlement seeking pioneer opportunity to practice law, to teach, to survey, to doctor the sick, to farm.

Of this type was Daniel B. Rice, from Oneida County, New York, an attache of the Government Land Office at Ft. Wayne, in the field surveying. Rose Ann chose him for her husband. After marriage, they, too, farmed. Three sons were porn to them. Young Rice entered politics, and, twice, served three year terms as county commissioner. He ran for this office three times, being defeated once by his own brother-in-law, the dominant Jacob Nickey.

Daniel B. Rice was anti-slavery in sentiment, and, no doubt, shaped the opinions of his sons by home talk, in spite of the southern sympathies of the Virginia born Nickeys into whose family he had married.

In Aug. 5, 1862, at the age of 18, a drummer-boy, his second son, Henry Nickey Rice, joined Company B. 74th Indiana Volunteer Infantry, and remained with it until the Regiment was mustered out, June 9th, 1865, at the close of the Civil War.

In this same year, Rose Ann, only 40, died and was laid to rest in a grave near the fresh brown earth above her mother.

The children of the pioneers of 1833 were now grown and looking out for a main chance. The North West Territory was filled with population; the frontier lay on the great plains of the Louisana Purchase. The new railroads, wishing to exploit their huge grants of land, looked to these grown children of the pioneers as logical settlers. Whitley County was filled with propaganda. These grown youths were moving out into Missouri, along the Missouri Pacific line. They were writing home from Iowa and, Nebraska even, where they had settled along the Union Pacific. Others were selling out and moving to Minnesota where the great Chicago and North Western was spreading land allure.

After Rose Ann's death Daniel B. Rice decided to go to Minnesota, with his sons. From a letter written to Jacob Nickey, dated June 24th, 1866, it is seen that he had secured land, had crops under way, had opened a general merchandising business for the new settlers, and those arriving each week in this region. He had come there by rail--first from Columbia City, Whitley County over the Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne and Chicago, to Chicago; thence by the Chicago and North Western to some point near St. Paul, where by a wagon-haul of 40 miles, he helped start a new town. At the time this is called "East Chain Lake", in the southern tier of counties. Later the county seat will be Fairmont, and Daniel B. Rice, his sons, and their children will be leading citizens, even 75 years later.

In part this letter says:

East Chain Lake, June 24th, 1866

We have commenced trade, and are doing pretty well for the time we have been at it. We have taken in 200 lbs. butter and over \$200 in money. I think we will do well when we fill up. I have sent to Chicago for more goods.******Wheat looks well in this country. My corn looks well. We have worked it twice and will work it once more.

There has been one whole township taken since the first of March. Quite a rush of emigration this season. I want you to write how times are there, and the prices of things. Wheat, here \$1.00 to \$1.50; flour \$4.00 per hundred; pork 25¢ per lb.; butter 15¢ per lb., etc.

Give my respects to inquiring friends. Yours in haste D. B. Rice

Children:

i James H. Rice, b. 1/24-1840. m. Belle Walker, sister of Melvin and Gilbert Walker, young Whitley Co. pioneers.

James Harvey Rice, a Civil War veteran, died soon after the War. He removed to Minnesota with the Rice Family, and settled at Worthington, about 60 miles west of Fairmont, Minnesota. He is buried there. He was mustered into the 100th Indiana Volunteers 8/12-1862, with a young neighbor, John Mossman, of Whitley County. He was discharged with the Regiment 6/8-1865. They were in Company E. The musket he carried through the Civil War is in the possession of his nephew, Harry W. Rice, and hangs over the latter's fireplace at his residence in Minneapolis.

James H. Rice and Belle Walker had children, but all are deceased.

ii Henry Nickey Rice, b. 9/2-1843. He m. 3/15-1866 Sarah Ellen Reed, dau. of Henry and Sarah (Metsker) Reed of Strasburg, Ohio; she was born 9/14-1845 and after 1850 came with her parents to Green Centre, Noble County, Ind. She d. Hollywood, Calif. 5/1-1932. He died at Covina, Calif. 1/22-1935. This couple celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary 3/15-1932, both in excellent health.

Henry Nickey Rice was mustered into the 74th Regiment, Company B. of Indiana Volunteer Infantry and served throughout the Civil War. He was wounded in the battle of Lovejoy Station. He marched with Sherman to the sea. He was promoted to Corporal, had a short sojourn at Libby Prison. He was critically ill with black measles. He was mustered out with his Regiment in June 1865. He taught school that next year, and in March married Ellen who had been teaching during the war and waiting for her "boy in blue" to return.

The bride and groom left immediately for his father's home in Minnesota where they secured land and began farming.

But Henry Nickey Rice chose to enter the Medical profession. His wife directed the farm while he secured a pre-medic degree from Keokuk, Iowa, and an M. D. from Rush Medical School, at Chicago. He practiced as a country doctor at Fairmont, until 1897 when he moved to Santa Ana, California where he continued another ten years in practice, before he retired and moved to Hollywood.

At Fairmont he took an active part in civic affairs. He represented his district in the State Legislature in 1876. He was Mayor of Fairmont 8 years. He was Surgeon to the Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R. and active in Masonic circles.

Ellen was active in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in Robley Evans Relief Corps. She was an able speaker on her feet, loved to recite poetry, and had a philanthropic flair.

They reared 6 children, had 20 grand-children, and 8 great grand-children.

Children:

- 1. Stella Rice
 - b. 4/1-1868
 - d. 9/7-1938
 - m. ---1891 Frank Dell Gould of Fairmont. He was b. 1863.
 He was a manufacturer of cement blocks, and in the paving business, there. They were adherents of the Christian Science Church. He d. 12/2-1937 while enroute to California to join his wife, who was with her father in Hollywood. Their children reside in Fairmont, Minnesota.

Children:

- (1) Helen Gould
 - b. ----1893 Fairmont, Minnesota.
- (2) Calvin Henry Gould
 - b. ----1894 Fairmont, Minnesota.
 - M. ----

Children:

- (1)a Helen Mary Gould
- (2)a Calvin Henry Gould, Jr.
- (3)a Betsy Gould
- (4)a Charles Gould

Calvin Henry Gould was associated with his father in business at Fairmont.

(3) Howard Francis Gould

b. 7/31-1898 Fairmont, Minnesota. He was graduated from Stanford University and from Harvard. He was with the Stanford Unit in the Great World War, q.v. After his studies at Harvard he was with the E. E. McCrane Co. of Detroit.

- 2. Rose Rice
 - b. 12/16-1871.
 - m. 8/16-1892, E. Johnathan Edwards, son of William Franklin and Harriet (Newton) Edwards, his father being a third cousin of the esteemed Johnathan Edwards. They reside in Fairmont, Minnesota, Mr. Edwards being the pioneer druggist, there.

Children:

- (1) Mava Mayelle Edwards, b. 3/25-1894. She m. Frank Galoway Eaton. They reside in Minneapolis, Minn. Mava is a graduate of the Army School of Nursing. They are Methodist Church communicants.
 - Children:
 - (1)a William Frank Eaton, b. 7/18-1925.

(2) Kenneth Franklin Edwards, b. 3/14-1896. He m. Grace Hall. They reside in Fairmont, Minn. He is a registered pharmacist; University of Minnesota. Adherents of the Episcopal Church.

Children:

- (1)^a Marjorie Ellen Edwards. b. 4/2-1924. (2)^a Kenneth Hall Edwards, b. 5/10-1926.
- (3) Cyril Johnathan Edwards, b. 2/14-1898. He m. Joyce Ellis, of San Antonio, Texas and resides there. No children. He is a business man. Methodist.
- (4) Marjorie Ellen Edwards, b. 2/4-1900. She m. Andrew Keefe. She d. 1/3-1931.
- (5) Harriet Rose Edwards, b. 9/7-1903. She m. James J. Williams. No children. She was graduated from the Mankato Business College. She is in secretarial work at Hollywood, California. Methodist Church communi-
- (6) William Henry Edwards, b. 8/27-1908. He is assistant druggist, associated with his father. Methodist.
- 3. Stanley Rice
 - b. 2/21-1874
 - ----1897 Rosalie Kountz. He resides at Monrovia, Calif. Adherents of the Christian Science Church.

Children:

- (1) Roselle Rice, b. 1899
- (2) Miriam Ardene Rice, b. 1903
- (3) Laurene Rice. b. 1912) Twins
- (4) Muriel Rice. b. 1912

William Jenner Rice

- b. 6/1-1878
- ----1909 Laura Brock. She was b. ----1891. William J. Rice is a farmer near Santa Clara, California. They are adherents of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Children:

- (1) Evelyn Ruth Rice, b. 1913
- (2) Elizabeth Rice, b. 1914
- (3) June Rice, b. 1916
- (4) Agnes Rice, b. 1919
- (5) Henry Sherman Rice, d. y.
- (6) Barbara Rice, b. 1922
- (7) Alice Rice, b. 1925
- (8) Nadine Rice. b. 1927
- (9) Marilyn Esther Rice, b. 1929

5. Velina Rice

b.

1910, W. B. Thorne of Covina, California, where they reside. He is the son of the late Dr. W. B. Thorne, a pioneer physician of Minnesota. Mr. Thorne is agent for general insurance. His specialty is fire, for several large companies in the General Board. He also writes Compensation, Casualty, Plate Glass and Earthquake liability; or a policy against the damage of \(\frac{1}{4} \) inch of rain on some important occasion between certain hours, written with Lloyd's of London.

Mrs. Velina Thorne modestly asserts that she has not been a great factor in public affairs. She has been a faithful club member during her 28 years of wedded life. Her intellectual interests center in music. In the long decline of their old age she was a steady visitor and caretaker of her parents. She does not drive a car. Her husband, and her youngest sister, Daisy, declare she is like her mother. "But," says Velina, "I could never stand up and recite poetry and enjoy doing it, as mother did."

6. Daisy A. Rice

b. 10/12-1883

---- 1918 Harry S. Waplington, of Los Angeles, Calif., m.

a Firm member of a Stationery Company.

This youngest daughter was graduated from the High School of Santa Ana, where her parents were living then. At 17 she entered Stanford University and majored in Greek and Latin. After three years at Stanford she realized that business had more interest for her. She became a capable woman executive in a large stationery house in Hollywood, where she now resides. "Business life just suits her. And there she will be until too old to longer do so," says her fond sister Velina.

iii Ezra Rice

b. ----1845 Smith Twp., Whitley County, Indiana.

d. ---- probably in the State of Washington.

m. ---- probably in Minnesota.

Ezra Rice joined the 17th Regiment, Indiana Volunteers, as a Recruit, 3/9-1864, and was mustered out 8/4-1865. This regiment originated in Indianapolis and was transferred to the Shenandoah Valley region. It saw hard fighting. It marched with Sherman to the sea. The remnant was transferred to the 70th Volunteers, and then, to the 33rd. Ezra Rice's sword, with his brother Jim's musket, hangs over the fireplace of his son, Harry W. Rice of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Ezra Rice was too young to enlist in the Civil War when his brothers enlisted. He stayed at home to grow a little taller and to help his father farm. His mother died in November, 1862. She neither could weep, nor exult with pride for her gallant soldier sons. Ezra was under 20 when he enlisted as a recruit

in 1864.

He removed to Spokane, Washington.

Children:

1. Harry W. Rice, who is a leading business man in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He and his wife, Lea Rice, have three children.

- (1) Robert Leon Rice

 - b. 7/15-1904
 d. 11/6-1937
 m. 7/5-1930 Frances Katharine Cunningham

Children:

- (1)a Jean Rice, b. 7/17-1933 Minneapolis
- (2)^a Barbara Rice, b. 3/12-1937 Minneapolis
- (2) Raymond Arthur Rice
 b. 12/3-1907
 m. 6/15-1935 Yvonne Sperry

Children:

- (1)a Susan Ann Rice, b. 8/5-1937
- (3) Betty Lea Rice b. 10/9-1917

- ix Anna Catherine, twin sister of Rose Ann.
 b. 2/22-1822, Sherando, Augusta Co., Va.
 d. 12/6-1898, Smith Tp. Whitley Co., Ind.

 - m. 3/21-1847, Wells Smith, Son of Samuel and Rebecca (Jones) Smith, who came Whitley Co., Ind. in 1833. Smith Twp. Whitley Co. was named for this Samuel Smith.
 - b. 3/6-1820, in Ohio, Fayette Co. d. 1/24-1898, Whitley Co., Ind.

1. Lorinda M. Smith, b. 1/3-1848, d. 5/14-1919. She m. 9/5-1867 Samuel H. Smith. He was b. 9/6-1841. He d. (Milled in an accident) 9/19-1874. * Samuel H. Smith and Lorinda N. Smith were not kin.

Children:

(1) Lester W. Smith, b. 1870, d. y.

(2) Alfred W. Smith, b. 1870. d. 9/14-1872. These sons were twins.

(3) S. Stanley Smith, b. 8/9-1874. He married 5/14-1899, Sylvania McClain. She was b. 4/11-1877. She died 1/7-1930.

Children:

(1) A foster dau. Thelma D. Smith. She was b. 12/13-1907. She m. George I. Fields, 12/19-1925. He was b. 11/5-1903.

Children:

(1)^b Donaldean Fields, b. 7/22-1926. (2)^b Richard Lewis Fields, b. 4/11-1928.

S. Stanley Smith resides in Columbia City. Ind.

2. Evelyn M. Smith, b. 12/24-1848. d. 12/23-1921. m. (1) 1/31-1867. John W. Smith. He was b. 1/29-1844. He d. 1/19-1874. No children. She m. (2) 3/14-1878, Abram Plummer. He was b. 4/19-1851. He d. 10/14-1897. Children:

(1) Doris N. Plummer, b. 2/20-1879. She d. 3/9-1909. (2) Edith M. Plummer, b. 8/18-1880. She m. (1) 5/11-1904, W. W. Keens. (div.) She m. (2) 9/20-1919, E. E. Pence. He was b. 8/30-1874. No children.

(3) Oscar S. Plummer, B. 12/6-1884.

- (4) Sylvia I. Plummer, b. 5/25-1891. m. 10/27-1915, P. W. Myers. He was b. 1/9-1891. No children.
- Sylvia Ann Smith, b. 8/24-1852. d. 12/30-1883. She m. 3/14-1878, Charles Knight. He was b. 1/3-1851. He d. 1/1-1900. Children:
 - (1) Essie V. Knight, b. 6/25-1880. She m. 7/2-1899, J. O. Decker. He was b. 2/25-1879.

Children:

(1)^a Flossie May Decker, b. 5/6-1900. d. y. (2)^a Ethel I. Decker, 9/18-1901. m. 6/10-1919, C. Galbreath. He was b. 3/24-1898.

Children: (1) Maxine E. Galbreath, b. 6/8-1922. She m. Theodore Walker (1938) Children:

(1) c Jerry Lee Walker*

b. 6/28-1939, Elkhart, Ind.

(2)b Junior C. Galbreath, b. 1/31-1925. (3)b Marjorie Galbreath, b. 1/31-1928. (4)b Richard E. Galbreath, b. 5/8-1931. (5)b Alice V. Galbreath, b. 6/25-1935.

*(Ninth gen. from Georg Nickey1)

- (3)^a Hilda Decker, b. 8/30-1903. d. y. (4)^a C. H. Decker, b. 4/18-1905. He m. Retha Comer, 12/6-1924. She was b. 12/27-1907.
 - Children: (1)^b Vera J. Decker, b. 10/22-1925. (2)^b Joyce Decker, b. 10/22-1929.
- (5)^a Io M. Decker, b. 8/18-1907. She m. C. L. Downey, 8/31-1924. He was b. 3/16-1904.
 - Children:
 (1)^b Robert J. Downey, b. 5/9-1928.
- (6) Edgar E. Decker, b. 5/18-1910. He m. 11/7-1931, Mable Long. She was b. 12/14-1907. No Children.
- (7)^a Josephine E. Decker, b. 4/16-1912. She m. 3/18-1931, Leroy Greensides. He was b. 3/31-1892. No children.
- (8)^a Mildred A. Decker, b. 1/24-1914. She m. 11/25-1933, Ralph Lefever. He was b. 7/7-1913.
 - Children:
 (1)^b John A. Lefever, b. 8/12-1934.
 (2)^b Beverly Ann Lefever, b. 4/28-1936.
 (3)^b Peggy Caroline Lefever, b. 5/26-1938.
- (9)^a Mable M. Decker, b. 3/11-1916. She m. 6/14-1935, Pat Carey.
- Children:
 (1) Jacklyne Lee Carey, b. 11/18-1936.
 (10) Sylvia V. Decker, b. 4/11-1918. She m. 10/24-1936,
 Gilbert Juillerat. He was b. 1/25-1911.
 - Children:
 (1) Patricia I. Juillerat, b. 4/18-1937.
- (11)^a Oscar J. Decker, b. 11/1-1925.
- 4. Herbert W. Smith, b. 3/4-1854, d. 9/13-1862.
- 5. Columbus Nickey Smith, b. 6/2-1857. He d. 2/14-1924. He m. Samantha Jones, 1/19-1882. She was b. 11/29-1855. She d. (killed by accident) 8/13-1935.
 - Children:
 - (1) Cecil R. Smith, b. 5/2-1887. He m. Celia Kek, 6/11-1914. She was b. 3/16-1889.

- (1)^a Cecil Roscoe Smith, b. 4/18-1915. (2)^a Herbert William Smith, b. 2/13-1922.
- 6. Vesta E. Smith, b. 1/4-1860, d. 9/13-1862.
- 7. Idella A. Smith, b. 11/3-1861. d. 4/29-1887. She m. 7/7-1883, Henry Knight. He was b. 1/31-1853. He d. 9/22-1892. No children.

- 8. Isola May Smith, b. 12/20-1862. d. 2/17-1865.
- 9. Sherman G. Smith, b. 6/3-1866. d. 9/17-1872.

Anna Catherine (Nickey) Smith and her husband Wells Smith celebrated their golden wedding 3/21-1897, at their farm home in Smith Tp. The next year, they passed away and were laid among relatives in old Concord burying ground.

^{*}Wells Smith, son of Samuel Smith (Ind. 1833) was wont to say that, located in Smith Twp. Whitley County, Indiana, were six different Smith families, in the early days, in no way related to each other by ties of blood.



Third Generation

DIVISION TWO

Third Generation, Division Two

The NICKEYS in York County Pennsylvania

The lineage of John Nickey II is tied into that of the Founder. Georg Niecke and Johanna Eleonora by a deed of land recorded at the Court House. Lancaster, Pennsylvania; Deed Book K, Vol. 3, p. 244. This record recites in full detail the heirs and incidents pertaining to them, to the 150 Acres of land owned by John Nickey I, son of Georg and Johanna Eleonora, and Head of Division Two. He died intestate 1788. He left a widow Mary, who m. (2) George Lebenstein. He left four children. The oldest, Abraham, married Ann , and died, shortly after his father, no children. Ann married again. John, the next oldest son, took over the land (150 A.), situated in Donegal Twp., Lancaster County. In 1801 he sold this land to Henry Grubb of Donegal Twp. At the time of the sale John was residing in Lower Paxton Twp., Dauphin County, Pennsylvania. In this deed of sale no wife is mentioned. In 1801, therefore, John was a "singleman," i.e. an unmarried man, over 21 years. When, in 1795 (?) his older brother, Abraham, died, John at best may have been 18. It fell to his lot to act as head of the family. Whether his mother had remarried at this time is not known, but John "took over the land."

It is evident that John did not farm this land, and did not, of choice. Residing in Lower Paxton Twp., Dauphin County, in 1801, he is not recorded in the tax-lists of this Twp., neither in Harrisburg, nor in the "out lots," as a taxpayer, or the farmer of another's land. All of these records have been carefully searched, by trained searchers. Was he a linen-weaver, like his father? Was he a minister, like his grandfather Georg? At any rate, Dauphin County was but a temporary residence.

Between the years 1786 and 1790 John's Uncle, David, Division One, whom

he must have known well, resided near Hanover, York County, and was buying and selling land. David, no doubt, attended his brother John's funeral, 1788, in Lancaster County. It may have been his Uncle David who lured the young Nephew John to the Township north of Hanover, now known as Washington Twp.

Here flows the beautiful Conewago Creek. This is a scenic as well as a fertile region. It was full of people who once spoke the German tongue, as one may realize when the chief town of the district is named East Berlin. In this section, in the water-power district of the Conewago, we find John Nickey II, next, owning a tract of valuable land and operating the mill located where the Bermudian Creek flows into the Conewago. Here his sons married and resided. Here, in the burying ground, near East Berlin, are buried many Nickeys. Here is the burial place of John Nickey II and his wife, Katharine.

By going into reverse, from these tombstones we may tie John Nickey of Washington Twp. to the young John, son of John Nickey I of Donegal Twp.,

Lancaster County, Head of Division Two, and son of Georg Nickey, the Founder.

The stone which marks his grave bears this inscription and unique epitaph:

JOHN NICKEY

born 1778 - died 1845

"Stay reader stand and spend a tear And think of me who now lye here And while you read this state of me Think of the glass that runs for thee."

The birth date of John Nickey, 1778, is the connecting link, which identifies him as the second son of John Nickey I, of Donegal Twp., Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

By elimination we strengthen this supposition. The descendants of David Nickey, founder of Division One, are buried, we know, in Virginia, or in Indiana. The descendants of George Nickey, founder of Division Three, are buried in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, or in Illinois. George Nickey (Division Three) named his oldest son John, John Nickey. But his son John

was born in 1775. And this John Nickey died in Cumberland County, Frankford Twp., 1837. His Will was probated at Carlilse, and is of record the first Nickey Will to be proved there. Thus, by elimination, we deduce that the John Nickey b. 1778, agreeing with the date on his tombstone, and who d. 1845, and is buried near the Henry L. Nickey, at East Berlin, is both the father of Henry and the son of John Nickey, founder of Division Two of the Nickeys in America.

Since a thorough search of the tax lists of Paxton Twp. and of Harrisburg (originally a part of Lower Paxton Twp.), for a period of several years before 1801 and, also, after 1801, did not disclose the name of John Nickey nor any other Nickey as a taxpayer on his own real estate or as a tenant-farmer of another's, both of which are listed; not in the city or on "out-lots" or more remote holdings, it may then be concluded that while in Dauphin County, John Nickey was not farming. Perhaps, too, he removed to another County, York County, where he died, and where his descendants, remaining, form a large lineage—the York County Nickeys.

John Nickey II, (John Nickey Sr., of York Co. Records) died in 1845. His wife followed him four months later. In the next fifteen years between 1845 and 1860 his four sons, Jacob, Daniel, John Jr., and Henry L. were taken by death, men still young, in the prime of life and with young children. Their young children were taken into friendly families of their wives to be reared. There were no Nickey men left to rear these orphaned Nickey children. It is not strange that the fifth generation of York County Nickeys should be ill informed as to their Nickey ancestry. Times were strenuous. The Civil War was coming on. There were no Nickey men of the Fourth generation left to enter this War. Their children, of the Fifth generation, were too young to do so.

The York County Orphans' Court Records verify these suppositions and traditions. The estates of these Nickey men were long in Court. The estate of John Nickey II, who died intestate, was in Court four years. Upon his oldest son, Jacob, devolved the chief task of administering his father's affairs. Before it was completed, the widow and two sons (heirs) had likewise died. The

youngest son, Henry L. Nickey, took over the land, at a valuation of \$5,593.50. This valuation, in 1845, means at the very least a valuation of \$15,000 in 1940, by current methods of transposing values. This land lay between Bermudian Creek and the Conewago. The mill at the mouth of the Bermudian, was at one time operated if not owned by John Nickey II. This mill is still standing. Franklin Pierce Nickey I of Santa Ana, California, who is now 87, whose father, Henry L. Nickey, died when he was a lad only 4, still remembers the farm. But he does not recall the mill. This indicates that Henry L. Nickey bought the original land, owned by John Nickey II, although he did not operate or own the mill.

Third Generation, Division Two

Genealogical Table

JOHN³ NICKEY (John², Georg¹)
b. 1778? (Under 16, in 1790) in Mountjoy Twp., Lancaster County, Penna. d. 4/22-1845, Washington Twp., York County, Pennsylvania. Buried in the old cemetery, East Berlin, near Conewago Creek. In the Administration of his estate (York County Records) he is named as John Nickey Sr., inasmuch as his son, John, Jr., was one of the joint administrators named by the Court, along with his oldest son, Jacob. . Katharine some time after 1801, in York County. She d. 8/28-1845, age 66 years, and is also buried in the ancient cemetery near East Berlin. Children: 17 i Jacob b. 2/7-1805 (Some say 1804?). m. Barbara March, of York County. ii John Jr. b. d. 12/21-1847. iii Daniel b .____ d. 10/21-1846. iv Mattie b.____ m. Benjamin Altland. v Katharine b. 1/12-1815. d. 9/2-1890. She did not marry. Buried, East Berlin. 18 vi Henry L. b. 1820. m. Elizabeth Deardorff.

Third Generation

DIVISION THREE



Third Generation, Division Three

Genealogical Table

7 JOHN³ NICKEY (George², Georg¹)

b. ca 1775, Rapho Tp. Lancaster Co., Penna., on the ancestral $29\frac{1}{2}$ acres.

d. 1/31-1837, Frankford Tp. Cumberland Co., Penna.

m. No data.

This, John, the oldest son of George Nickey II, married and had children. He made his will on the 25 Aug., 1836, and it was probated 3 Feb., 1837. (See the abstract). He does not mention his wife. She has preceded him in death. He does not name his children. If he has anything after his debts are paid they shall have it "share and share alike." Letters of Administration were granted Feb. 18, 1837, and the estate closed July 14, 1840.

Cumberland

Abstract of John Nickey's Will

Co., Pa. Will Book

"K" p. 507

John Nickey made 25 Aug., 1836 Prob. 3 Feby., 1837 "Considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, and being weak in body but of Sound mind and Memory." Dabts

are all to be paid and if anything remains "the same be equally divided among My Children Share and Share alike"--appoints George Kosh Executor.

Witnesses--George Walsh David Nickey

Johannes Nicke Seal

John Nickey late of Frankford Twp.

David Nickey sworn as witness 3rd Feb., 1837.

George Walsh was affirmed 18th Feb., 1837.

This simple one page will was the first Nickey will to be filed in Cumberland County. John, son of George II, died before his father, age 62, young for a Nickey. He signed his will in German.

John Nickey was a land owner in Frankford Tp. He bought this of David Colp, 4/11-1818, and had the transaction recorded promptly, 4/20-1818. He was probably married around the turn of the nineteenth century (1800) and at his death had grown sons.

Children:

In time placement, (1776-1840) the following list of children belong to this John Nickey of Cumberland County. A guardian was appointed for them in the Orphan's Court. (See Book 16, p. 158; Book 17, p. 97). Jacob Benjamin, of these children, was appointed Administrator. (See Book 16, p. 289 ff.) Evidently George Koch, whom John Nickey named executor in his will, died, or was incapacitated, and an Administrator had to be named by the County Court. Such circumstances are not unusual.

In addition to the logical time placement, by process of elimination we arrive at the same conclusion: of the 14 children of David Nickey, we know the names of 9; Samuel Nickey either did not marry, or he left Cumberland County; no records exist, there, for Samuel; we know the names

of the children of George Nickey III. Each of the younger sons of George Nickey II are too young to be the parents of this list, and, moreover, we know the names of a few of them, in each case, such names not being in this list.

Therefore it is probable that these are the children of John Nickey, the first son of George Nickey II, who moved to Cumberland Co. Penna. 1790.

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Jacob Benjamin Nickey, residing in West Pennsboro Twp. d. 1/14-1864.

Third Generation, Division Three

Genealogical Table

- DAVID³ NICKEY (George², Georg¹)
 - b. Before 1790, in Rapho Twp., Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania
 - d. 10/24-1847, in Frankford Twp., Cumberland Co., Pennsylvania
 - m. --- 1804?, Mary Ann Max. She was b. in Perry Co., Pennsylvania

He died intestate. Jacob Nickey was appointed his administrator by the county court. Jacob gave a bond of \$3000. This Jacob Nickey, of whom there are many in the records of Cumberland County, may have been his son. Or, it may have been David's brother Jacob, who was a business man connected with the Carlisle Trust Company.

The estate of David Nickey was settled Nov. 11, 1848.

He had a family of fourteen children, eight boys and six girls. The record is probably complete and in family archives in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. But the list below contains the names only of those whom William Henry Nickey -- his grandson through William who settled in Macon Co., Ill., 1849 -- could recall.

Children:

- i Mary (Polly)

 - m. ----, George Kosht. No data except that her husband's name appears on administration reports of Nickey estates in Cumberland Co., Pennsylvania. She has two grandsons residing in Illinois: George Kost, Decatur, Illinois; and Roy Kost, Herrick, Illinois.
- ii David
 - b. --
 - d. 9/24-1893, Oakley, Illinois. He went to Oakley, Macon Co., Ill., 1849.
- iii John
 - b. 4/10-1817. Removed to Oakley, Macon Co., Ill., 1860.
 - iv Benjamin
 - b. ----
 - v Susan
 - b. ----
 - m. ----, Solomon Ely
 - vi Barbara
 - b. ----, Frankford Twp. (near Carlisle), Cumberland Co., Pennsylvania

 - --- 1875, in Macon County, Illinois, near Oakley
 --- 1848, Jacob Seitz of Carlisle. He was born in Cumberland County,
 Pennsylvania. In 1857 Jacob and Barbara (Nickey) Seitz removed, in a
 covered wagon, to Oakley Twp., Macon Co., Illinois.

- 1. Daniel Seitz
 - b. ---- 1849, Carlisle, Pennsylvania

 - d. 5/12-1918, Oakley, Illinois m. 12/24-1872, Melissa Hiser, granddau. of John Hiser who came to Macon County in 1849 with William and David Nickey, uncles of Daniel Seitz.

Children:

- (1) Mary Jane Seitz
 - b. 12/26-1876, Macon County
 - m. 9/6-1894, Jesse Fulk, son of John and Mary Fulk.

Children:

- (1)^a Russell Fulk b. 7/1-1896, Argenta, Illinois
- (2)^a Clyde Fulk b. 6/16-1900, Oakley, Illinois
- (3)^a Helen Fulk b. 4/3-1908, Oakley, Illinois
- (4)^a Roy Fulk b. 11/25-1914, Oakley, Illinois

20 vii William

b. 10/?-1826. Removed to Oakley, Macon Co., Ill., 1849.

viii Ann

- b. ----
- m. ---- Shulabarger

ix Simon Peter

b. 11/17-1832. Removed to Oakley, Macon Co., Ill., 1855.

David Nickey, the second son of George Nickey II, of Division Three, was born on the paternal homestead of the Founders, $29\frac{1}{2}$ acres in Rapho Twp., Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania. As a boy he moved with his father and mother (Christina Eversole) to Cumberland Co., Pennsylvania in the year 1790.

As a young man he was a shoemaker by trade. Subsequently he engaged in farming.

9 SAMUEL³ NICKEY (George², Georg¹)

- b. Before 1790, in Rapho Twp., Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania.
- d. ----, no data.
- m. ----, no data. He was the youngest child of George II and Christina (Eversole) Nickey when they sold the paternal 29½ acres in Lancaster Co. and bought land in Cumberland Co., moving there in time to be enrolled in the Cumberland Co. U. S. Census of 1790.

The inventory of George Nickey II shows that he held a bond with interest, of \$615.41 against his son Samuel. There is no record in the Orphan's Court, Register of Deeds, or Register of Wills on this Samuel Nickey at Carlisle.

Third Generation, Division Three

Genealogical Tables

10	b. Aft. b. d. 2/2	KEY (George ² , Georg ¹) er 1790, in W. Pennsboro Tp., Cumberland Co., Penna. (first child orn after the family left Rapho Tp., Lancaster Co., Penna.) 2-1858, Frankford Tp., Cumberland Co. ae 67. 1816 Sarah Rice. She d. 1820 Mary Ann Shatto. She d. 3/20-1867 at Carlisle. Her estate was administered by Benjamin F. Nickey of N. Middleton Tp., Cumberland Co. She was descended from a Frenchman by the name of Shatteau who accompanied General La Fayette to the Colonies during the Revolutionary War, and who remained in America. The name, subsequently, was changed to Shatto.
	Childre 1st wi	
	2nd wi	ife
	i	Sarah b. d. She lived at Apetstown. Griffee.
	22 ii	Jacob b. 1822, Frankford Tp. m. Hettie Miller.
	<u>23</u> iii	David b. 1824 m. Catherine Hoff.
	iv	Catherine b. 1826, Frankford Tp. d. 6/25-1904, Lancaster, Penna. m. Fennical. Children: None. She was a member of the Church Home of the Brethren, (German Baptists) Lancaster, and died there.
	<u>24</u> v	Benjamin Franklin b. 1828. m. Catherine Wert.



GEORGE NICKEY III

A generous contributor to the history of George Nickey III and his descendants is the Rev. Samuel George Nickey of Colorado Springs, Colorado, pastos of the Church of the Brethren in that city. He is the grandson of George Nickey III and son of Rev. Benjamin Franklin Nickey whose history follows in order, later.

By his first marriage George Nickey III had one daughter. Her name, or history, is lost to the grandchildren by his second marriage. (See the genea-logical table, following).

His second marriage with Marie Anne Shatto of French descent, resulted in a family of six children who are remembered, particularly, for their devotion to their church, the German Baptist Brethren. One son, Benjamin Franklin, was ordained to the ministry of this church. Two grandsons, Amos J. Nickey, and Samuel George Nickey, brothers, have been ordained and have given life service to this Church. Two great-grandsons, Paul A. Nickey, of Monticello, Minn., and Benjamin Franklin Buckingham, of Prairie City, Iowa, cousins, are now ordained ministers of this Church. Two great-granddaughters, Mrs. Flora
Ross (then the wife of Rev. Amos Ross) gave 18 years of service in the mission field of India at Vyara, and Bulsar, while Dr. Barbara Nickey, her sister, is operating a woman's and Children's Hospital at Dahanu, India, on which field she has now been since 1915. Another great-granddaughter, Elvista Nickey, was consecrated to the mission field but died before she could enter the service.

His daughter, Catherine Nickey Fennical, was a patron of the German Baptist Home of the Church of the Brethren at Lancaster, Penna., and died there.

His son, David, according to Mary Nickey Little of Westminster, Maryland, was such a strict "good old Dunkard" that he prohibited his family from having photographs taken of themselves, regarding such a thing as the sin of vanity.

Rev. Samuel George Nickey of Colorado Springs gives this succinct history of the Church of the Brethren:

"In Cumberland County, Penna., the church now known as the 'Church of the Brethren' was known as the 'German Baptist Brethren' (They have been called the 'German Quakers' by other denominations; often called 'Dunkards', because of their adherence to immersion as the form of baptism). At that time the church was composed largely of German-speaking people. As the church grew it came to have more of the English-speaking communicants; therefore the change of the name from 'German Baptist Brethren' to the 'Church of the Brethren' about 30 years ago, or around 1909." And he adds:

"As to our organization and its personnel; our church, the German Baptists, came out of the Reformation. Being oppressed in Germany because of the peace principles of the Gospel, to which they adhered, they emigrated to the U.S. (the American Colonies, then) in the year 1708, locating at Germantown, Pennsylvania."

In Pennsylvania they were known, first, as "Mennonites" and the old Mennonite Meeting House which they first built in Germantown is still standing and is used, today, a truly holy shrine, over 200 years old. This Germantown Mennonite Congregation, also operated a Girls' Boarding School, the first boarding school to be opened for girls, in America. The life in the school was very simple and modest. Some of the rules were:

"Living for one year \$6-0-0.

"Parents are desired not to visit the child frequently, as it does them no good.

"Parents are desired not to give the child expensive presents; and thus avoid disaster.

"Their children are to attend meetings Sunday morning, and often."

George Nickey III and his wife Marie Anne are buried beside a little stone Meeting House of the German Baptist Brethren, at the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountains, in Cumberland Co., at the Place called Sterrett's Gap. Here also, are buried the Rev. Benjamin Franklin Nickey, and his wife, Catherine Wert; and, very likely, other relatives of the Nickey Family in Cumberland County rest in this romantic spot.

Third Generation, Division Three Genealogical Table

JOHN GEORGE NICKEY (George 2, Georgl)

- b. Probably near 1796 in Cumberland Co. Penna.
- d. 10/11-1878, in Frankford Twp. Cumberland Co. Penna.
- m. ____ No data.

He was a landowner of Frankford Twp. In Deed Book 5, Q. P. 436, Records at Court House, Carlisle, it is recorded that he bought land of, or through George Kosht, Ex'r. 2/15-1860, in Frankford Twp. This deed was not recorded until 4/1-1898. This shows that he was something of an eccentric recluse. George Leopard was named as his executor. His estate was left in Court, and was not settled until 8/16-1867. The inventory of his personal property was rated at \$389.85.

Rev. Amos J. Nickey, the grandson of George Nickey III, and the oldest son of Benjamin Franklin Nickey, in his 86th year writes:

"When I was a small boy some of father's uncles visited at our house (in Frankford Twp. Cumberland Co. Penna.) once. My father had two Uncle John Nickeys, as I remember, for he called one "lame John." The uncles of Benjamin Franklin Nickey were the sons of George Nickey II, or the brothers of George Nickey III.

Time placement, and other circumstances, make it seem probable that this John George Nickey was the Uncle "lame John" of Benjamin Franklin Nickey. He probably did not marry. His estate was small and divided by the Court among nephews or other heirs.

Third Generation

Genealogical Tables

		NICKEY (Ge	orge ² ,	Georg ¹ ,				
三				Frankford	Tp.,	Cumberland	Co.,	Penna.
	d.	10/9-1877.	Frank	cford Tp.				
	m.			. No data	•			

Benjamin Nickey was given letters of administration. Benjamin was very likely his son.*

Inventory

Jacob Nickey's Will was filed 11/7-1877. It shows that he was wealthy. His personal property was inventoried at \$11,246.21. The final report was filed 8/19-1879. It appears, from the records in the Orphan's Court, that Jacob's property was held in a Trust by the Carlisle Trust Co., and that Benjamin and the Widow were the beneficiaries. Benjamin Nickey of Frankford Tp. d. 12/15-1897. His personal property inventory rated \$7741.93. This was still in the hands of the Carlisle Trust Co., and the Administrators gave no bonds for surety. The final report was filed 3/29-1900.

^{*} Benjamin must be carefully distinguished from Benjamin F. of the same township, Frankford, though Benjamin F. removed to North Middleton Tp. later. Both were entrusted with the settlement of their relatives' estates.

Third Generation

Genealogical Tables

12	ABRAHAI	M ³ NICKEY (George ² ,	Georg	1)					
<u></u>	p•	11101101		_, you:	ngest	son of	George	and	Christina	Eversole.
			his wif	€.						1
	d.	12/19-1884	, in Fra	nkford	Twp.	Cumbe	rland Co	٥.		
	m.				data.			· ·		

His will was filed, and proved 12/24-1884 at Carlisle. Israel Nickey received letters of administration. Israel was most likely his son. Israel was not required to give bond. The inventory of Abraham's personal property rated \$6877.15, and was filed 12/31-1884. The final report on this estate was filed 8/17-1886.

Israel Nickey, himself, of Frankford Twp., Cumberland Co., died 7/31-1899. R. W. Graham was made his administrator, who was held on a bond of \$100. Israel's personal property rated \$2513.00. He had made no will.



Fourth Generation

DIVISION ONE

DAVID NICKEY II

(1808-1870)

Of Samuel Nickey's sons, David had the distinction of being named for his paternal grandfather. His personality seems to have been of the Nickey type, reserved, religious, considerate; rather than dynamic, buoyant, self assertive as in the Balsley-Keinadt family, marked in his brothers Christian and Jacob.

In the family councils after his father's death David must have had a decisive voice, being then 24, unencumbered, and apparently heart-free.

In Ross County, Ohio, he must have established himself in some lucrative job to his liking, for when the clan migrated to newer territory in Indiana he remained in Ohio near, or at, Frankfort.

In 1840 he returned to Virginia to take a cousin, Jane Balsley, daughter of George Adam Balsley, as his wife. The bride was born at Buckhannon, Upshur County, Virginia, (now West Virginia). The wedding journey was made, probably by river-steamer from Parkersburg to Cincinnati; thence by stage to Chillicothe and Frankfort, a charming trip, then, or now. The groom was 32, the bride 30. Jacob Nickey speaks of a visit to this brother in his letter of 1846 from Ross County to his children.

In 1852 David Nickey, once more, took his place as eldest son of his mother, the now againg Anna Catherine. When, with her clan, she had settled in Indiana she acquired a farm on Eel River and, here, she finished her work as mother. Now her daughters were married. Her youngest son, Henry, had paid the penalty of a pioneer's life. The mother, bowed with grief at his death, early in 1850, was struggling on, alone, in her eighth decade. It is not thought that David Nickey purchased land in Whitley County. He had come, not of choice, but from a sense of duty. He rented his mother's place, and made her a part of home.

This farm lay on the west banks of Eel River, in Smith Township. It was cleared, and under cultivation, a rich piece of ground. Here the David Nickeys made home, until the death of Anna Catherine nine years later, February 27, 1861.

The mother enjoyed the solace of this son's care to the end.

In the next month the David Nickeys made their last remove, and started life anew, at Nokomis, Illinois, in a farmer's paradise in Montgomery County, which adjoins Sangamon.

In the very storm-center of the rising popularity of Abe Lincoln, David Nickey must have come under the spell of that leadership, despite his natural sympathy with the South due to his place of birth. His son William Allison became a Lincoln worshiper. What fires of idealism are lighted in a ten-year-old when a great man and leader rises in his community!

South of the new village of Nokomis a little distance, David Nickey bought 160 acres, small in comparison to prairie farms devoted to growing grain. He began diversified farming and stock raising, the type he knew, by training in Ohio and Indiana. He made a success of it, but he had become convinced of the greater promise in large scale farming, when, in 1869, one March day, he wrote to his brother Jacob:

"Brother Jacob if you would come to this State and take a look at the wheat fields about harvest, you would be surprised. You would think that the farms in Whitley County ware mear truck patches. Its a one horse Farmer, that turns his attention to cultivacon of the Soil, that don't raise over one thousand Bushels of wheat. Some of our neighbors, last year, raised over four thousand bushels, and expect to raise more next year. The amount of wheat sown last fall I have never seen. There is one field that joins my farm that has something over two thousand acres in it, and mostly in wheat".

In this letter David tells Jacob that he plans, with his wife and son to visit them, the Whitley County relatives, in the coming autumn.

The next year, 1870, on an early April day Devid Nickey gave up life, though far from an aged man. When his sickness became serious his brothers and sisters were notified. It was the dynamic Christian, of them all, who hastened, by steam transportation now, to his brother's bedside, 264 miles from his home at Union City, Indiana to Nokomis, Illinois. This hook-up of railroads (now the Vandalia System) in that early day, set Christian down in Nokomis without changing cars, to his own surprise. He spent ten days with his brother David, then he returned home.

It was David's son William Allison who wrote the formal notice of his fether's a death, few days later:

"Father was reconciled to depart. He saw that his work was done. His death was gloriously triumphant. His age 61 years, 11 months and 15 days. He lived a model Christian life."

To Christian's observing eye and nimble pen we may turn for a picture of life, and bereavement, in 1870, homely and human:

Union City, Ind. April 10th, 1870
Dear Brother Jacob: I have to inform you that I received a letter
from William A. Nickey, your dear Brother David's son, deted
April 6th, 1870. Dear brother David is dead. He died on Thursday
evening 52 o'clock.

William A. wrote me a letter dated March 19, and stated that his father was ill. On the 24th I started down there. David was very poorly, indeed, and I stayed with him 10 days and nights and thought I had done my duty. I started home on Monday last. On Thursday he died. If I had known that he would have died so soon I should have stayed.

William wrote that his father was reconsiled to depart. He saw that his work was done in this world. *******

Now Dear Brother Jacob you aught to write them a letter today and sympathis with them in their distress. Will you please write me one also.

It is 264 miles to where Brother David lives, on this Road (R. R.) that comes to Union. I got off at Nokomis, in Montgomery County, Ill. on the Terryhoot Alton St Louis Rail Road.

Give my love to all the Friends.

Yours Truly

Christian Nicky

Union City, May 15, 1870

Dear Brother Jacob: We received your welcome letter and was sorry to hear that you, too, had sickness and death in your family.

(Jacob's son, Austin)

Jacob, you wished to know David's circumstances. He owned 160 acres of excellent land, 25-50 acres of timber and all the balance in fine cultivation, with 100 apple trees, cherry and peach trees a plenty; he had 13 stands of bees all in fine condition (his wife sent my wife one jar of honey, about 3 quarts, home with me); he had 4 head of work horses, and 6 coalts; 4-5 cows, cattle in all 17 head; hogs 18 to 20, sheep 42 head and other things in accordance--farming utensils in abundance.

He had about 500 bushels of corn and had sold a great eal.

3 or 4 hundred bushels of wheat, enough to do another year. His house, a small one, three rooms below and one above. About \$400 in money and notes. He told me he paid \$1000.00 torge the Presbyterian Church at Nokomis.

Christian Nickey

Jane (Balsley) Nickey was appointed administratrix, and William A. acted as her clerk and scribe. She gave up farming, and they removed to Irving in montgomery County, where she resided until her death, December 12, 1884. Here, the young William A. when he reached his majority, married Mary Frances Bartlett, of Irving.

David Nickey II did not attract star dust. It did not occur to him that star dust existed. He was a gentle, generous man, interested in the society near him, quiet and salty, and altogether lovable.

Fourth Generation

DAVID⁴ NICKEY (Samuel³, David², Georg¹)

b. Apr. 4, 1808, Augusta Co., Va.
d. Apr. 7, 1870, Nokomis, Ill.
m. Oct. 20, 1840, Jane Balsley, dau. George Adam Balsley, of Buckhannon
Upshur Co., Va., (now West Va.)
b. Aug. 4, 1810, Buckhannon, Va.
d. Dec. 12, 1884, Irvington, Ill.

- i George Adam, b. Sept. 8, 1841. d. Aug. 3, 1844.
 ii Samuel Henry, b. Sept. 8, 1841. d. Oct. 9, 1842.
 iii Laura Ann, b. Nov. 3, 1848. d. Sept. 1, 1869.
 She m. John F. McAdams. No issue.
 iv William Allison, b. Nov. 3, 1851. Ross Co., Ohio. m. Mary Frances
 Bartlett of Irving, Ill. 27

When his father died, this, his second son, was 23 and shared responsibility with his older brother, David, in the emigration of the family to the West. In Ross County, Ohio, he seems to have taken the leadership, rather than David. He married the daughter of William Gradless, in Ohio. With his father-in-law he organized the second emigration of his family. In 1834 they went to Fort Wayne, where most of the Clan bought land along Eel River in what is now Whitley County, but when this county was set off from Allen County, the land of William Gradless was in Allen still, though adjoining his son-in-law, Samuel's. In later years the Gradless property came into the Nickey family and the Nickeys were named as residents of Allen County.

Samuel Nickey had imagination and foresight. His creative ability, worked out through diversified farming, was expressed in reproducing a country ensemble similar to the handsome homes in the Shenandoah Valley, still vivid in his memory. He was religious, and helped found the Methodist Episcopal church, located at Concord Cross Roads, and later the one at or near his land in Allen County, named, Lake Chapel Congregation, where he and his wife are buried. This church is still an active rural community church.

He laid the foundation of a neat fortune so that he was able to bequeath to each of his four living children 100 acres of land, or the equivalent. Elizabeth Gradless preceded her husband in death a few years only. After her death he made his home with his father-in-law, William Gradless, where he slipped away, peacefully, in the year 1864.

Genealogical Table

14 SAMUEL NICKEY (Samuel 3, David 2, Georg 1)

b. 7/31-1809, Augusta Co., Va.

d. 8/29-1864, Allen Co., Ind.
 m. 7/22-1834, Elizabeth Gradless, dau. of William and Sarah (Waugh)
 Gradless of Ross County, Ohio, later, Whitley Co., Indiana.

b. 5/10-1814.

d. 3/21-1861, at her home, near Lake Chapel, Allen Co., Ind., where she and her husband are buried.

Children:

** i Rebecca, b. 9/27-1835, Whitley Co., Ind.

d. 2/22-1904, Whitley Co., Ind.

m. 9/16-1852, Silas Briggs, son of Samuel and Agnes (Sheppard)
Briggs, of Ross Co., Ohio. He removed to Whitley Co., Ind. before
his marriage. He became an outstanding farmer and stock-grower of
Whitley Co. He owned over 600 acres of land. His four brothers
had adjoining tracts.

He was b. 8/30-1826, Ross Co., Ohio. d. 11/19-1913, Whitley Co., Ind.

Children:

- 1. Desta Jane Briggs, b. 10/29-1853. She m. 6/15-1882, Philip Rouch, land-owner and farmer of Whitley Co. She d. 1930, at her home. No children.
- 2. Sarah Elizabeth Briggs, b. 5/14-1856. She m. 10/21-1880, James Albert Mossman. He was b. 8/20-1852, the son of John and Rheua (Connor) Mossman of Coschockton Co., Ohio, and Whitley Co., Ind. She d. 5/8-1930. He passed his 87th birthday 8/20-1939 in Detroit, at the home of his eldest daughter.

Children:

(1) Bertha Dickie Mossman, b. 10/13-1882. She attended Wittenberg College (Springfield, Ohio) 3 years.

m. 9/12-1901, Walpole Kaler, son of Samuel P. and Allie (Kerr) Kaler of Columbia City, Ind. He was b. 10/25-1878. He studied at Wittenberg College likewise. He d. 7/24-1938. at Detroit. Michigan.

- (1)a William Mossman Kaler, b. 10/15-1903. He attended Howe Military Academy. He m. 7/23-1932, Harriet Sheldon Montgomery of Benton Harbor, Mich., Presbyterian pastor of that place. Harriet was b. 10/3-1906. Was graduated from Wooster University and studied at Northwestern University. She has taught ten years in Lincoln High School, Detroit. He is connected with the Hudson Motor Company at Detroit.
 - (1) Karlton Sheldon Kaler, b. 7/18-1937, Detroit.
- (2)^a James Walpole Kaler, b. 1/13-1906. Graduated from Wittenberg College. Had one year of medical study at Northwestern University. At present is a district commercial superintendent of Bell Telephone

^{**} Record copied from the Bible Record of Silas and Rebecca (Nickey) Briggs.

Telephone Co., Detroit. m. 1/4-1936, Shirley Smith, dau. pf Mr. and Mrs. John Ford Smith. Mr Smith is related to Henry Ford on the side of both parents.

- (3)^a Margaret Kaler, b. 10/27-1911. m. 8/28-1934, John Langohr, son of Walter and Inez (Brown) Langohr of Columbia City, Ind. Margaret was graduated from Wayne University, Detroit, where she earned the A.B. degree and had many undergraduate honors. At Columbia University she earned her A.M. degree in Art Education, 1932. She traveled one summer in Europe. She accepted, on her return, the position of Art Supervisor in Lincoln High School, Detroit, which she has held, now, six years. John Langhor held a Rector scholarship at De Pauw University, and was graduated from Wayne University Medical School, in June, 1939, with the degree M.D. He was President of his Medical Fraternity, Sigma Nu.
- Children; (1) Judith Langohr, b. 2/13-1937.
- (2) Nellie Frances Mossman, b. 11/4-1884. She m. 10/10-1906, Archibald Smith. This family resides in Chicago.
- (1) Robert Archibald Smith, b. 5/6-1909. Robert Archibald Smith was educated at Illinois State University and at University of Chicago Medical School. He interned at St. Anne's Hospital, Austin, Ill. He now practices medicine at Albia, Iowa. He is married. He has one adopted son, Robert.
- 3. Clara Odell Briggs, b. 10/14-1858, Whitley County. m. 11/23-1881, Fillmore Welsheimer. d.

Children:

- (1) James Welsheimer, b. 7/12-1883. Resides at Ft. Wayne, Indiana.
- Chester Welsheimer, b. 10/7-1888. He is m. Resides at Plattsmouth, Nebraska.
- 4. David Everett Briggs, b. 2/20-1861. d. 8/18-1864.
 5. Bert Emmer Briggs, b. 4/5-1863. d. 8/15-1864.

Silas Edward Briggs, b. 6/24-1865. m. 10/8-1890, Luella Clark. b. 12/3-1864. They reside at Gary, Indiana.

- (1) Lelia E. Briggs, b. 12/4-1892. She is m., has two
- children. Resides in Gary, Indiana.
 Charlotte D. Briggs, b. 7/6-1894. She is married.
 Forrest I. Briggs, b. 6/20-1896. He is married, and has 2 children. His son, James, entered University of Michigan, 1939.
- (4) Bernice Briggs, b. 7/28-1898. She is m. and resides at Gary, Indiana.

- Clark E. Briggs, b. 3/8-1900. He is a Realtor.
- (6) Clayton B. Briggs, b. 6/2-1905. He is with the Lincoln Life Insurance Company, at Fort Wayne, Ind.
- (7) Richard Briggs, b. m. He resides at Gary.

All the sons of Silas Edward and Luella (Clark) Briggs are graduates of the University of Michigan.

7. Stephen Orr Briggs, b. 9/15-1867. m. 9/20-1893, Ida Belle Clark. b. 12/24-1867.

Children:

- (1) Phil Sheridan Briggs, b. 8/30-1894. Is me, has 2 sons.
- (2) Gertrude Elliot Briggs, b. 6/24-1896 (3) Garnett Maxine Briggs, b. 6/24-1896. Gertrude Elliot Briggs, b. 6/24-1896.

The twins were graduated from Oberlin College with highest honors. Both are married. Garnett has two children. She resides at Omaha, Nebraska. Likewise Stephen Orr Briggs and his son, Philip Sheridan reside in Omaha.

8. Charles Norman Briggs, b. 1/12-1870, m. Mattie Sanders, dau. of the long term pastor of Baptist Church, Columbia City, Ind., where this family now reside.

Children:

- (1) Rebert Briggs, b. 1907. He is m. He has one son, David Briggs.
- Frank M. Briggs, b. 7/9-1872. m. 4/25-1911, Ora Ball, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. William Ball of Columbia City. d. 2/13-1935, at Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Children:

- (1) Rebecca Briggs, b. 9/15-1913. She is a student at Wayne University, Detroit.
- (2) Joseph Briggs, b. 1/27-1915, Ft. Wayne, Ind.
 (3) Helen Briggs, b. 9/3-1917, Ft. Wayne, Ind.
- Fred C. Briggs, b. 3/29-1875. Unmarried. He resides at 10. Churubusco, Ind., where he is postmaster.
- Jesse Howard Briggs, b. 10/4-1880. m. 1/9-1903, Bessie Madden. 11. She is now deceased.

He studied at Wittenberg College and was graduated from Rush Medical College 6/17-1903. He is a practicing physician and surgeon at Churubusco, Ind. He has achieved a national reputation in obstetrics.

ii David W., b. 7/?-1837. m. Alcinda Mossman.
iii Mary Ann, b. 11/19-1840, d. m. 1/5-1859, Samuel N. Pierce,
in Allen Co., Ind. He was b. 2/23-1832, at Athens, N. Y., on the
Hudson, son of Dr. Eli and Sarah (Burgess) Pierce. Samuel N. Pierce 28

d. in Chicago 1/28-1900.

- 1. Sarah Burgess Pierce, b. 4/23-1860, d. 4/?-1863.
- Eli S. Pierce, b. 2/6-1864. Unmarried. mesides at Allegan, Mich.
- Elizabeth Pierce, b. 12/23-1866, at Wawatosa, Wis. m. 1/9-1900, A.C. Lyons, at Chicago. No Children. Resides at Allegan, Mich. R.F.D. #1, with her brother Eli.

- Isabella Pierce, b. 4/3-1870, Hazel Cot*, Whitley Co.,
- Samuel W. Pierce, b. 9/22-1872, Hazel Cot, Whitley Co., m. 1/7-1898, Kathleen Hall Clare, at Kenosha, Wis.

Children:

(1) Harry Pierce, b. 2/7-1908.

They reside in Minneapolis, Minn.

iv Martha Isabella. d.y.
v Addison Boyd, b. 8/22-1844. m. Orpha Mossman.

vi William Austin. d.y.

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^{*}Hazel Cot was the estate of the Pierce family in Union Tp., Whitley Co., Ind. It contained at least a square mile of land and the residence was quite pretentious in pioneer imitation of English Estates. It has been destroyed.

Bertha Nickey Briggs Mossman Kaler as she sometimes signs herself, in a humorous mood, has evinced the spirit and courage of the grand pioneer families in her ancestral background. The Walpole Kalers, in 1927, lost a considerable fortune, in Columbia City bank failures. They removed to Detroit, "completely broke, no friends, or pull to help us out" as Mrs. Kaler writes, and adds:

"It gave us, forever, more sympathy with the working class. The old adage, 'the Colonel's lady and Judy O'Grady are the same beneath the skin' we found true."

"Margaret entered Eastern High School and was greduated with honors; was President of her scrority in Wayne University, and of the Student Council; she was chosen as a speaker on 'Swing Out' Day--out of 700 students. She used to paint ten-cent store things and go out and sell them to get money for a new gown; kept children for mothers, etc. I worked at anything and everything to keep her in school--sold books, corsets, etc. etc. I em thankful for the spirit of our pioneer fethers that never let us give up," continued Mrs. Kaler.

Mr. Samuel P. Kaler, her father-in-law, compiled and edited the HISTORY OF WHITLEY COUNTY. He was an experienced interviewer. During 1911 and 1912 he interviewed many of the older Nickeys, Briggses, and Mossmans of Whitley County. But he died in 1913, before he was ready to publish his records of these families. However, the data he compiled is invaluable. And Mrs. Bertha Mossman Kaler has preserved this data in typed form. A querter-century of time has brought a new and larger generation of these families into active life. But while they are good citizens they know little of their background. The work of Mrs. Kaler as "a holding company of family genealogy" is much to be esteemed.

One thing more she says: "I have always felt that people of the same kinship must have many common ideals, many thoughts in common-partly inherited, partly through parental teaching."

15 CHRISTIAN NICKEY

(1810-1890)

Christian was the picturesque member of the Nickey family. Older than Jacob by only a few years, the two were probably pals and playmates, and attended the same parochial Lutheran School. They understood each other; were like their mother's people; were each early married; were good family men and husbands; of the same sentiment politically.

Each had good judgment in an investment or financial bargain. They each were independent and selfcontained as to their plans, yet were confidential with each other even as children are.

Of the two, Jacob was the more refined and conservative, Christian the more dynamic and responsive. Jacob was medium height, and stout. Christian was tall, and slender. Jacob wore his shock of white hair, when it turned at fifty. Christian dyed his henna-red and kept it flat and smooth with pomade. Jacob went about on warm summer days, even in his custom-made phaeton, in shirt-sleeves and vest. Christian wore a long linen "duster."

Christian Nickey was named for his maternal grandfather. As Christian Balsley lived thrity years after his daughter Anna Catherine had married, and in the same County, Christian Nickey had ample opportunity to enjoy all the favoritism grandparents are apt to bestow on namesakes.

Christian Balsley's sawmill at Sherando was doing good business when the Nickeys move into that neighborhood, 1820. Large tracts of good land were cleared of the heavy timber, and offered for farms at good bargains. The Augusta County court records show that in 1829 Christian Balsley and Elizabeth deeded 184½ acres to Christian Nickey, consideration, \$2000.00. Now, in 1829 Christian Nickey was 19. He had less income than his father and his father had little enough after the war of 1812. The neighbors, no doubt, said: "Old Christ Balsley might as well give that land to Christ Nickey." He probably meant to do just that.

The next year, Christian Nickey, age 20, married Isabella Cooper, and then

did so well, that in partnership with his uncle Johnathan Balsley he bought another 180 acres of his grandfather Balsley. Being thus tied down with local business enterprises, after his father's death, Christian Nickey stayed with the Balsleys at Sherando and did not go west with the Nickey clan.

Not until after his grandparents were no more did Christian Nickey go to Indiana. Then, he did not join the family in Whitley County, but settled at Union City in Randolph County, near the Ohio border.

The important incidents in Christian's later life are gleaned from his letters to his brother Jacob, with whom he exchanged letters several times a year, and a visit at intervals of a few years.

As the Nickeys would say "Christian got around." He was the "traveler" for travel's sake. When David was dying, as we have seen, it was Christian of the entire family who got out to Illinois to spend some time with his brother before the latter's death. He got up to Fort Wayne to visit an entire community of relatives and old friends in that region. He could take his wife and children on an "excursion" to Columbus to see the State Penitentiary and have an enjoyable time out of it. But the most pictorial thing recorded by Christian Nickey was an extended trip, for those days, 1875, his second wedding journey.

The Wedding Journey of 1875

October 31st, 1875

Dear Brother and Wife and family: We received your welcome letter dated Oct. 25th 1875, and was glad to hear that you and all the Friends were well. My family are all well and all the connections as far as we have heard.

Brother Jacob I thought that I had written an answer to your letter that you wrote after you got home from here. If I did not answer it you will excuse me for not doing my duties torge a near Friend as you and family are.

Jacob I have written and told all of my losses to Elizabeth Tulley and family. My losses have been great indeed—a soninlaw in December, the 17th 1874 and a daughterinlaw on the 19th of the same Month and a companion of my Youth on the 30th day of the same Month.

Jacob my wife got sick on the first week in September and was confined to her bed all the time till her Death near 4 months.

Her funeral was Preached on the first day of Jan. last. I ordered a fine coffin; it cost \$95, and it was the finest that Ever was in this Neighborhood. She was Entered on my lotts in Ritenouss Cementy. I got her grave stones that was nice but not high that cost \$52.50.

After I had paid all Expenses and had done my duty toord her I thought of travling, and my thoughts was to visit California, but my lonleyness forbid. I chose another companion; one that all-ways lived in this Neighborhood, or her parents. She was married 3 time before; once to Henry Sipe, John Nickey's wife's Brother; 2nd to M. Bennet, Isaac Jinkeson's half-brother. Jinkeson is a Lawier at Ft. Wayne; 3rd to Mr. Edger. She has one child to each husband. Her father is dead, Mother living.

We got Married on the 8th day of June, at Ridgeville, and started to Winchester the first Nicht. The next day to Cincinnatti, and the next day viewed the city. And thence on the Ohio River to Parkersburg, W. Virginia. The next week to Harpers fary 106 miles through the Capital of the United States and to the Presidence manchion, in two of his fine rooms. He and family was gone to Longbranch. He has a splendid garden or front yard. Next we visited the Corcasion gallery of Arts. Every thing that could be carved was there. The 3rd day off for New York and got there a fryday evening, the 18th.

And took the Street cars the next morning for the New York Park and spent the day in seeing every thing that is in America in the shape of wild animals and snakes and fowls. Jacob there is more to be seen in that Park than in any theater of musiom in the Wourld--more than I ever expected to see.

On the 21st off to the Niagria Falls. There is the greatest curiosity of nature; the Angria watters ruching over rock after rock untill it reaches the falls and then plunges over and down 200 ft and rushes off in hast torge the other lake. I would advise any person that wants to See curiosity to go to Niagria.

The 24th to Toledo, around Lake Erie on the Lake Shore Road, and to Sidney and to Union City, and home the 25th.

Friends it was a pleasant trip indeed. We had a pleasant weather all the time and lost nothing but one handkerchief at the falls. Jacob I must close by sending you and family our well wishes and love.

The season here has been about as it was out there, frost came too soon for the corn. Prices: wheat 75 to 1.25; oats 30 to 40; hogs \$6 to \$6.50; cattle low; butter 20, eggs 20 to 22. Jacob will you let me hear from you occasional.

Your Brother Christian Nicky

In politics he kept himself informed. In almost every letter there was some political comment. In a letter dated September 20th, 1872, he writes:

"Jacob, politics is gowing on, but not much strife. I think Hon. Tom Hendricks will be our next governor, and I hope Mr. Greeley the next President. All the Democrats will go for Hendricks and liberal Republicans will also. But for old Horace the Democrats won't vote or some of them. I was

at the Winchester fair, and heard a man from Masuri speak on the politics of the day. He said all the Democrats would vote for old Horace if Tom Hendricks should be elected in October next.

March 25th 1877, he expresses his views about the presidential election, just closed:

"Hays has been counted in, and there is a lot of hungry hounds waiting for office. Nobody knows what Hays will do or how he will do. On thing is certain that he will receive more curses than any President that has occupied the white house before. The people is not with him--accepting the count when he knew he was not elected. Disonisty and fraud prevail in all departments, all for money."

May 26th, 1878, he tells of attending the party convention, making nominations for county Treasurer and Sheriff "to try to break the Republican ring in Randolph County."

Christian Nickey passed away shortly after his 80th birthday. Two years before his "dear Brother Jacob." This bereavement must have been felt keenly by his children, for his was a father partial to the success of his own. He gloried in their good business deals; he believed in early marriage, and watched the matrimonial matches of his grandchildren with keen interest.

In a letter to Jacob dated March 20th, 1876, he says:

"Well Jacob I must tell you of my son, John D. Nickeys tear up. He sold his land for seven thousand dollars (\$7000.00) and his Sale bill was \$1800.00. Tonight he and his femily takes the train, ll oclock, for Minnesota, near St Cloud. I think it is a bad move, and the way it snows they will be snowbound a way north. The wimmen is a baking for them to eat on their way.

James and family are all well. Jane Hedgpeth (Rebecca Jane, one of the twins) still lives at Union. Benjamin Summers (husband of Ester Malvina, the other twin) has sold one of his places next Winchester (the County Seat) and has paid out the other. I forgot to tell you that James has built a new house, last summer, 28 x 38, seven rooms in it.

I have given my children a hundred dollars a piece since last march; that is \$700.00, for I have 3 boys and 4 gairls. Clay we have not heard from for 3 or 4 years. My daughter, Isabella & her son lives with us and will as long as she wants, or is satisfide."

No matter where he was, Christian Nickey was the observed of observers, and "come good come bad" he was equal to the occasion.

Fourth Generation

Genealogical Table **

15 CHRISTIAN4 NICKEY (Samuel3, David2, Georg1)

b. 2/10-1810, Augusta Co., Va.
 d. 3/13-1890, Union City, Ind.

m. -1830, (1) Isabel Cooper of Sherando, Augusta Co., Va.

b. 5/20-1805.

d. 12/30-1874, Union City, Indiana.

m. 6/5-1875, (2) Mary Sipe, Union City, Ind.

Children: (All are of his first marriage)

30 i John David

b. 3/27-1831, at Sherando, Augusta Co., Va.

m. Barbara Sipe of Randolph Co., Ind.

ii Mary Ann

b. 9/4-1832, at Sherando, Augusta Co., Va.

m. 6/21-1855 (1) Henry Mock. He was b. 1835, Randolph Co., Ind.

Children:

1. George Melvin Mock, b. 4/10-1857. He m. 8/4-1876, Isabella W. Stick. He resides at Ridgeville, Ind.

Children:

(1) Minnie Myrtle Mock, b. 3/13-1877. She m. 3/5-1901, Daniel A. Clapp. They reside at Ridgeville, Ind.

Children:

(1)^a Sarah Isabella Clapp, b. 8/14-1905.

d. 9/6-1907.

(2) Grace Pearl Clapp, b. 9/15-1908.

- (2) Victor Harry Mock, b. 3/1-1879. He m. 1/12-1905, Emma Fisher. He lives at Portland, Ind.
- Children: (1)^a Clarence Allen Mock, b. 11/15-1905.
- (3) Dora Ardella Mock, b. 3/21-1882. She m. 3/22-1905, Ira Ogden Brooking. She d. 2/29-1908. He resides at Portland, Ind.
- (4) Mary Ann Mock, b. 3/18-1885. She m. 11/9-1907, Greeley Harshman.
- (5) Estella May Mock, b. 7/14-1887. d. 10/6-1889.
- 2. Bazle D. Mock, b. 7/23-1859. He m. 5/2-1880, Estella Porter. They had one child, which d.y.
- m. (2) 8/27-1863, John W. Ford.

- 3. Lund E. Ford, b. 8/11-1864. He m. 11/19-1888, Clara E. Clapp. She was b. 12/17-1868. They reside at Vermillion, Illinois. Have 2 children.
- 4. Rollin Ford, b. 11/24-1868. He m. 4/27-1893, Minnie Duck. She was b. 11/24-1870. They reside at Paris, Ill., R. F. D. #11.

- 5. Curtis and Clarence Ford, twins, b. 1871. d.y.
- 6. Allen Ford, b. 7/25-1873. He m. 12/26-1907, Blanche Griffith. She was b. 7/21-1874. They reside at Paris, Illinois.
 - m. (3) 1877. Routledge. Resided thereafter, until her death, at Vermillion, Edgar Co., Illinois.
- iii Isabella Catherine, b. 2/21-1835, Sherando, Va. Removed, as a child with her parents to Randolph Co., Indiana. By an early marriage, which was broken, she had one son. Subsequently she and her son resided with her father, Christian. She m. (2) 9/4-1884, Aquilla Davis of Newcastle, Ind. They moved to Vermillion, Ill., where Mr. Davis died 7/19-1887. In 1905 her home was completely destroyed by fire. After that disaster she made her home with her brother, Hames Henry Nickey (q.v.) Winchester, Randolph Co., Ind.
- 31 iv James Henry, b. 1/1-1837. He m. Mary M. Brouse.
- v Samuel Ezekiel, b. 5/9-1839. He m. Emily Bragg.
 - vi Granberry Barden, b. 3/22-1841. He died in the Civil War, Age 23. Unmarried.
 - vii Harrison Clay, B. 10/23-1843.

Christened for the two most popular statesmen in the United States in 1843, this son must have been lifted from his local environment as early in life as a child inquires into the choice of his name. This choice, probably, brought into dominance an inherited tendency to see the world, which we have observed in his father. Harrison Clay Nickey enlisted, age 18, in the Civil War.

In 1866 he went to Nevada where he mined for gold. He was taken prisoner by the Apache Indians and held among them nine months. Regaining his liberty he went on to California, where he joined the enterprises of Claus Spreckles and went with his industries to Honolulu. From the Islands he went on to Australia. "He traveled all over Australia" says the family tradition, and resided sometime in Melbourne.

In 1876 his father, Christian, writing to his brother Jacob, said, "I have given my children a hundred dollars apiece since last March. That is \$700, for I have 3 boys and 4 gairls. Clay we have not heard from for 3 or 4 years". No wonder!

Later Harrison Clay traveled in China and Japan. Then he went to South Africa, and thence to Chili in South America. Here he went into mining and amassed a fortune in gold bullion, which he lost, in the Chilean Insurrection of 1900. He had been around the World; he had seen much of it when it was new, compared to the 20th Century. Being now 57 years of age, he returned to his native State, Indiana and resided the rest of his life at Hartford City in Blackford County, an interesting old man, though unostentatious citizen.

viii Esther Malvina, b. 2/7-1847, m. 11/22-1865, Benjamin F. Summers. He was b. 8/10-1840. They resided 3 miles east of Winchester, Ind. on their farm named "Elm Grove". Children:

1. Annette May Summers, b. 9/1-1867. She m. Jacob Huber, 1886. He was a fruit-grower of Randolph Co. near Deerfield, Ind.

Children:

- (1) Celia Halley Huber, b. 5/1-1888. (2) Isabella G. Huber, b. 6/29-1890.
- 2. Linna Bell Summers, b. 3/29-1871. She m. 8/26-1905, Dr. Wm. A. Hawley. They have no children. They were both pharmacists and resided at Union City, Ind.
- 3. Arama V. Summers, b. 6/22-1874. She m. Isaac Newton Collett in 1891. He was Superintendent of the pumping station of the Western Division C.C. &I.C.R.R. They resided in Chicago.

Children:

- (1) Clee Collett, b. 11/24-1891.
- (2) Ivan Newton Collett, b. 3/20-1897. (3) Stanley Summers Collett, b. 8/5-1907.
- 4. Hermeah Summers, b. 12/4-1877. She m. 9/15-1896 Dr. Henry Ward Beauchamp. They resided in Philadelphia, Penna.

Children:

- (1) Lillith Beauchamp, b. 8/12-1897. (2) Veva Beauchamp, b. 3/?-1899, d. 5/9-1901.
- (3) L. Emmett Beauchamp, b. 6/1-1902.
- ix Rebecca Jane (twin of Esther Malvina), b. 2/7-1847. She m. 1/7-1868, William Bundy. Hedgepeth. He d. 12/17-1874 from injuries received when attempting to board a moving train. Mrs. Rebecca Jane (Nickey) Hedgepeth retained her home in Union City, Ind. although she often resided elsewhere.
 - Children:
 - 1. Victor E. W. B. Hedgepeth, b. 2/19-1869. He m. (1) 4/25-1894, Blanche A. Sipe of Randolph Co., a family much intermarried with the Christian Nickeys. He grew up in Union City and chose the teacher's profession. He was graduated from

Bethany College 1891. In 1905 he resigned the Superintendency of the Public Schools, Goshen, Ind., to accept the Vice-Presidency of the Tippecanoe Securities Co. of Scranton, Penna.

Children:

- (1) Virginia Genevieve Hedgepeth, b. 10/8-1892.
- m. (2) 12/22-1908, Ella Louise Chase of Factoryville, Penna. They resided 821 Vine Street, Scranton, Penn.

This 19th Indiana Volunteers and the 69th Regiment, both, were mustered at Winchester and composed almost exclusively of Randolph County men. Men from this section, are found, also, in other Regiments.

^{*} Named Granberry Barden Nickey for a well known and well liked minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Northern Indiana Conference.

^{**} For this data acknowledgement is made to Bertha Mossman Kaler. It was gathered by Samuel P. Kaler, the Historian of Whitley County, Ind., and is good only to 1913.

Jacob Nickey Jacob Nickey (1814-1892)

Moving leisurely along country roads leading to Churubusco, in the 1880's, often was seen the custom-made phaeton of Jacob Nickey, he himself, sitting alertly forward, but holding loose rein, his demure little wife at his side, almost lost in its roomy depth. Fortnightly it was apt to be seen on the roads leading to the county seat, Columbia City, when Kate, his bay mare, would trot with more speed, there being important business when she took these roads.

Jacob Nickey's full jove-like countenance framed in white, was known throughout Whitley County; he moved along these roads with a sense of possession, his "little empire" which he had helped build; not like one possessed of great power over the financial interests of his fellows, but as one who had accuired influence by working with his fellows, all of whom he knew in a personal friendship. His broad-brimmed black hat had an easy slouch; his full curling beard was dabbled with the juice of the weed always in his mouth. He looked patriarchal. His phaeton moving leisurely along the Hoosier roads was a picture of comfortable old age.

But this was the easy going at the end of an arduous life, not on sea, not in war, nor in elbowing city marts, but on the land; in the pioneer development of Whitley County, as a farmer, as a creator of local schools, church, and government. When Jacob Nickey had come to this region the road from the land office to its present county seat had been an undistrubed forest, a tree blazed here and there, or a sapling cut away.

Jacob Nickey still looked Virginian, born as he was in the Shenandoah Valley. At the time of his birth his father Samuel was still enlisted in the War of 1812. Jacob was Dr. Nickey's fourth son. There were his older brothers, David, Samuel, and Christian, and his sister Mary Ann; first, last, and always his fond admirers.

These children had received the education available in the Lutheran parochial schools, or some private school in Staunton. Their letters, or private papers, a few still existing, reflect a good training in business calculations, in geography,

penmanship, and the then rather brief history of the United States.

Rather than put these sons to a trade, remaining in Staunton, the parents had decided to return to the land; since in 1811 Samuel Nickey and Catherine, his wife, had sold the ancestral 245 acres on Middle River, they chose now to go up the Blue Ridge Mountains to the domain of Christian Balsley. Large tracts of the heavy forestation had been cleared and processed into lumber at the mill in Sherando. Here the Nickeys acquired about 400 acres, and here, in 1820, they came to reside.

The lumber industry of Christian Balsley at Sherando, furnished an industrial training to these Nickey sons. Here they learned to measure lumber, to estimate the commercial value of a tree, to handle men and machinery. From this time, the operation of a sawmill, the lumber industry, became traditional in the Nickey family as well as farming.

Not yet eighteen, when his father died in February, 1852, Jacob had accepted the leadership of his mother and brothers. With them he had come to Paint Creek in Ross County, Ohio, in that same year. But when the Nickey clan renewed their migration in 1834, to take up lands on Eel River in Indiana, Jacob had remained behind. He had married, even before his majority.

he told the story of his young love, himself, 50 years later, with the candor of conviction. He was in his easy chair in the large spicy-smelling kitchen of his house. His second wife, Catherine, and a visiting granddaughter were pothering over some housework. The granddaughter, 17, was tall and slender, pink cheeked, brown haired. All at once Jacob spoke out, breaking his customary silence:

"My first wife, Betty; and I fell in love at first sight!"

Grandmother Catherine's dark eyes looked knowingly over her leveled lids at her granddaughter. But she didn't say a word.

Probably the granddaughter reminded him of the girl, Betty, with whom he "fell in love at first sight." She was the granddaughter of that first wife, Betty.

"Grandpa!" she protested, blushing to dispute with this king-in-his-castle grandfather. "You're talking nonsense! There's no such thing in real life."

Jacob spat heavily into the spittoon. "Yes, but there is! I know," he retorted, decidedly.

Taking out his tin box of choice fine-cut, he carefully loosened a bunch of the juicy weed, shaped it between his thumb and fore finger, and placed it in his mouth. After he had adjusted the chew, and replaced the tobacco box in his hip pocket, he went on to tell his granddaughter this story.

"When we were moving from Virginia our caravan had come to Paint Creek, in
Ohio. The bridge was none too good, and narrow. I was in charge of the cattle-herd.
On horseback I was aiming to get them across the creek by fording it. They were
a little unruly and I was having a seete time of it. As I was riding around them,
trying to start them into the river, all at once I saw a beautiful girl watching
me from where she stood in the doorway of a large log house near the high road.
We looked into each other's eyes. Our eyes seemed to speak what our lips darsent
say. I took and turned in and got the cattle across the stream---but I couldn't
get the pretty girl out of mind.

"Whereupon, after our family settled there for the winter, I found that Samuel Briggs lived in that house by raint Creek. He had come from Virginia, too, in the early days. He had become a prosperous man, settled there, now, 30 years.

"I devised a scheme, and began to act on it at once. I went to Samuel Briggs and offered to work for him. This was my way to meet his daughter, the girl I had seen standing in the doorway. He hired me, too. I met Elizabeth, of course, you see, and loved her more and more. When I proposed marriage she told me this: 'After you had got the cattle across Paint Creek, that day, I turned to the folks inside the house, saying "There goes my future husband!"!

Jacob Nickey, not unlike the Biblical lover, Jacob, served his fatherinlaw, not seven, but several years, and won his favor, as well as his daughter. This marriage was celebrated February 13, 1834.

In the summer of 1838, when they had acquired the means to move into Indiana, and to maintain themselves while they brought their land into self-supporting cultivation, they broke the home-ties and joined the Nickey clan on Eel River.

^{1.} Virginia dialect. Webster says an obsolete word meaning "difficult".

They made the journey drawn by a spanking young team given them by Samuel Briggs as a parting gift. With pockets full of money² and hearts full of hope, they set forth on an Indian summer day, 1839, Jacob and Elizabeth, daughters Jane and Rose, and tiny Ruhamah, infant in arms.

Jacob was a leader. From the first he took an active part in the politics and business of the County. He was making progress in his private affairs, but the privations of pioneering take a toll. Weakened by malaria, Elizabeth died when her first son was born. She lived to name him Allen and then after ten years of love, love born at first sight,—Jacob must go on alone, a widower at 30, with five little girls and an infant son, in the wilderness of the Northwest Territory, where all was to be done at once, as yet.

With agony Elizabeth³, his beloved, was placed in a pioneer burying ground at a cross-roads, named Concord, where stood the pioneer log church of the Methodist settlers. With his wife's burial the first act of Jacob Nickey's pioneering ended. The stage was dark for over four years.

The curtain rises on the next act in the early autumn of 1848. The setting is at Concord, the Cross-Roads. Diagonally opposite the pioneer log church of the Methodists, there stands a new frame church-building, painted white, with five high glass windows opening in each side. A dedicatory service has just ended, it appears; the people who had filled the church are now spreading a picnic dinner in the grove adjoining the new structure. From the social chatter snatches of conversation may be pieced together which tell the story of the new church. It has been built by Jacob Nickey. It is a memorial to his wife, Elizabeth Briggs. It is dedicated to the worship of God and the use of members of the <u>United Brethren in Christ</u>. Two of those members, beside himself, are Mary Ann, his sister, and her husband Francis Tulley.

^{2.} a, Three Financial necessities for migration to a new Territory:

^{1.} Money for cash payment upon land.

^{2.} Money for cost of transportation.

^{3.} Money for maintenance until new farm became self-supporting. b, Cost of transportation:

^{1.} Money for wagon and team.

^{2.} Money to buy simple outfit for operating the home and farm.

^{3.} Money to maintain selves on the journey.

The structure is approximately 38 x 25 feet. It is entered by two doors, on the simple west facade, in the manner of the period, one for men, one for women. A broad porch or platform extends across this end which is reached by flights of three steps. The interior is neatly plastered and white. The pews are in two broad tiers, with central and side aisles. They are built in, with high backs and no ends. Across the cast end of the church is a raised dais the width of the church, with steps at either end to ascend to this, the altar. The pulpit and the seats for the ministers are built with some architectural finish which make them seem formal. In front of this dais there stand low benches, which will serve as "mourners' benches" at seasons of revival, and as altar rails when the Communion is served. In the center of each side stands a huge stove, which will warm this building on cold, snowy sundays. At the rear of the pews, there is an unoccupied space of some ten feet which will serve as a narthex, or assembly and conversation area; and in each corner there are built in cupboards to care for hymn books, communion vessels, brooms, dust cloths, and other necessary things. All woodwork is painted a bluish grey. The tall windows seem to fill the sides and are set with double sash holding sixteen panes, each.

It is a pleasing addition to the community life. It will furnish Bible instruction for the young. It will invite better preachers, and more church services; it will furnish instruction in singing; it will distribute Bibles, children's religious papers, and children's books. It will give space for the last rites over the dead, and a place for temperance meetings.

Who made the contact, or when, or where, that induced this Lutheran born and bred Jacob Nickey to build this United Brethren Church, at Concord, whitley County, Indiana, is not known. But the history of Whitley County says he built it in the

² continued

c, Cost of simple outfit for operating home and farm:

^{1.} Money for a little stock of household goods.
2. Money for farm implements.

^{3.} Money for cattle and live stock.

^{4.} Money for vital and medical care.

Elizabeth was the daughter of Samuel Briggs and his wife Agnes (Shepperd) Briggs. The Briggses had emigrated from Greenbrier County, Va. (now West Va.) to Ross County, Ohio, 1798. Elizabeth was born 7/7 - 1817 d. 9/19 - 1844.

year 1848. And his children and his grandchildren used it for more than forty-six years thereafter, until changing social conditions brought the complete abandonment of this rural community center. It is plain that, first and foremost, he wished this church for the education and training of his five daughters and baby son. And it served its purpose for them. Each became loyal attendants and some of them. with their children, devoted workers in the services of this denomination.

Samuel Briggs had preceded his daughter to the land of long silence. In time his estate was settled and divided, and there was a sizable portion for the children of his daughter Elizabeth, which the administrator was ready to turn over to their father, Jacob. In the late autumn of 1846, he made the two-week's journey back to Paint Creek and his people in Ross County, Ohio. But, once here, he also stretched his visit back even to the Shenandoah Valley and his old home in Virginia. What thought led him to addthis arduous extension to his journey? Was there some sweetheart of his youth who might consider him still as a suitor? If so the answer was negative, or his fancy frozen by the changes of time. What disappointment he may have felt in this dash to his old Virginia home is cloaked by silence in the brief letter to his children. When he had again ferried over the Ohio River and was back with his brother David in Ross County:

> Frankfort, Sunday morning. (11/30 - 1846 ?)

Dear Children and Friends.

I take my pen in hand to let you know that I returned to this place Nov. 28th. In good health. I received your letter. I was glad to hear from you at home. I wrote to you in Va.. I made some mistakes. I was detained in Va. 4 weeks on the account of high water. It rained 3 weeks in succession. I crossed more high water since I left home than I have for 14 years. I am going to start to D. Nickey's in an hour or two. We had 2 or 3 pretty days, and the balance was disagreeable. The snow fell 8 or 10 inches deep when we crossed the Ohio River. We had a seete time of it (hard time of it, you may depend. I can't tell you when I will be at home, but I will start just as soon as I can. I could writ mutch more but I think it not nesery (necessary.)
Your Father and Brother

J. Nickey

Agnes Shepperd died 11/12 - 1839 Samuel Briggs died 1/27 - 1841

^{5.} \$800 to each of six children.

This letter was addressed to his youngest brother, henry Nickey, a single man, in charge of Jacob's affairs at home. It is written on heavy double white paper, with pen and ink, then folded, sealed with wax, and addressed on the back, not unlike much of the advertising matter sent through the mails today, not using an envelope.

He had spent much more than a month in Virginia. His grandparents, Christian Balsley and Elizabeth were buried. Whatever tempted him to this journey, it was his last visit to Virginia. When his business with the Briggs Estate was settled, he returned to his children (before Christmas) and devoted the rest of his life to Whitley County.

He was in the prime of life. His older daughters were budding into womanhood.

He needed a wife to make his social atmosphere balanced.

Following 'the Church dedication, he found the lady who accepted him at par value and assumed the responsibility of his six children. This lady was Catherine Crabill, of the community, daughter of William Crabill. The second marriage was celebrated in 1849, and was in every respect a happy one, a companionship altogether charming in their later days.

Perhaps the loss of his first sweetheart and wife tempered the father's heart to the duties of both mother and father. At any rate he was known and praised by the Community for the tender care and protection which he gave his daughters in this rough pioneer stage of development.

Brought up in Virginia, he retained some attitudes of the Southern people.

He retained the Southern view of the negro, and during the Civil War was regarded as "a Copperhead," his daughters with him in this view. In family life he remained the patriarch and head of his family, in the matter of financial and social affairs no less than in religious and personal ones. He arranged his financial income so that he could bestow upon each child at marriage a handsome "dower." His daughters had the choice among the young pioneers of integrity in the County---rather Jacob had. Although he did not pick the husbands, any swain who aspired to the hand of a Nickey daughter must first discuss his plans with Jacob. When his consent to the marriage had been given he pointedly said to his daughter "as you make your bed, so

^{6.} His grandparents, Christian died 6/22 - 1837. Elizabeth died 12/10 - 1844.

shall you lie." In this he saved himself from hasty marriages on the part of his children, and from any expectation of their part that they might repent and return home.

His children were given all the education available in the pioneer country schools, the mere beginnings of the excellent System of Education of Indiana, later. The tragedy of pioneering is that the children of pioneers, rather than their parents, pay the price of pioneering. In the case of Jacob Nickey, he, himself, as a child and youth, enjoyed the opportunities of Virginia, reflecting wealth and a stage of culture already developed on the Atlantic Seaboard at the turn of his century. He had the added breadth of horizon, too, obtained by his thousand-mile journey, leisurely, across the Mountains and the Western public domain until he had reached the land office at Fort Wayne, Indiana. But his children were born in the wilderness. As children and as youth their horizon embraced only this wilderness and the rude early living conditions thus enforced. They had only the beginnings of schools, the rarest and poorest of teachers, who might be willing to face the privations and poorer pay of these primitive efforts at education; often only sixth days of school in a year. They had no musical instruments or music teachers except, now and then, a strolling musician who would "get up a singing school." Social activities were confined more or less to the "frolics" connected with labor; and the means of transportation limited the dress to that of the very practical. Further, as the Public System of Education gradually was organized to include high schools and higher Institutions of learning, the burden of taxation to build up and support this System fell, rather, upon these very children of the pioneers who had enjoyed not the slightest iota of these very advantages they paid for and developed for the young to come. How often one heard these children of pioneers say, "I didn't get to go to school, but I want my children to have a good education, -- the best there is."

^{7.} An excellent Organ Factory (reed, parlor-organs) was established at Fort Wayne in 1870. In each of the homes of Jacob Nickey's married children one of these was purchased and his grandchildren had "music-lessons," but Jacob never owned one. In his "day" the accordian, harmonica, guitar, and a r are violin, were sometimes to be heard.

In his later days Jacob indulged in many of the advanced ideas of comfort as the times were then. In the 1872's he chose to warm his living room with a heating stove, in place of the huge open fire-place. Many of the advance ideas of Philadelphia and New York found ready sale at Fort Wayne. The Pennsylvania iron industry had introduced "the Bible in Iron" in the decorated "five-plate", "six-plate" and famous "ten-plate" stoves. In 1840-1860 American furniture followed the "neo-classic" wave from Europe, and the Pennsylvania stove manufacturers changed from "the Bible in Iron" to the "neo-classic" in iron. The merchants of Fort Wayne had the prosperous farmers spotted, and sold them many an advance idea.

Having decided to install a heating stove Jacob Nickey looked the Fort Wayne market over before investing. Having chosen and installed a stove, he invited each of his daughters with their young families to a "fireside chat" beside his new heating plant. He felt a pride in showing their young husbands the luxury of a living room --- a large one, at that, --- warmed in all corners by an ornate sheetiron fire-container set well out from the old fireplace, now "boarded up"---the fireplace around which so many had made love, popped corn, and drank cider. However, Jacob Nickey, when he undertock to do a thing, did it thoroughly. In the matter of a stove he would be first in style and quality. If there was any item that would make a heating stove a perfect heater or an ornament as well, money was no question. Therefore the heating stove selected by Jacob Nickey was elaborate and wonderful to behold. To those of his grandchildren who later became familiar with Greek forms, this stove is recalled, amazing as it may seem, to-day, as a splendid reproduction in Russia iron of the Choregic Monument of Lysicrates!! Even the tripod was represented on the top with a nickel-plated ornament. In the family inquiry, generally, as to the purpose or utility of the various "columns" placed at intervals about the main drum, Jacob answered (informed by the shrewd hardware merchant) that "they helped with the draught." And the hard-headed sons-in-law dropped the inquiry there.

At intervals Jacob Nickey sought to give each of his family some worthwhile gift. On his seventieth birthday he held his first family reunion. Ten sons and daughters with their husbands or wives attended. A great feast was spread on the

lawn, followed by speeches and congratulations. Then, with due pride, Jacob presented to each daughter and daughter-in-law a set of sterling silver teaspoons marked carefully with her initials. On this, he presented to each son and son-in-law a ten-dollar gold piece. And, lastly, to each grandchild present, some seventy-two of them, he gave a silver dollar!

In his sevety-eighth year 8 he finished his work as patriarch of his family, to the last completely the central figure, and dominant. In his later years he lived a very leisurely life, merely supervising his estate, and expressing his opinion. He served several years as County Commissioner 9 and made himself felt as such. He built the Church house at Concord which served his young community well, and always his home was a home for itinerant preachers. In appearance he resembled the Keinadt ancestors of Virginia, arching forehead, medium height, of sturdy physique, aquiline nose, dark haired, until he turned white at fifty. Like the Keinadts he was quick to act when once he had made a decision, and did not change his mind. In all he was a most lovable character, loved most of all by his numerous grandchildren, each of whom he knew and regarded fully as of his Clan.

^{8.} February 4, 1892.

^{9.} The History of Whitley and Noble Counties, Indiana, 1882, (pp 346-347)says:

[&]quot;Jacob Nickey has served many years as Township Trustee under both the old and new constitutions, and six years as one of the County Commissioners; he was on the first grand jury ever held in Columbia City, and has always been a Democrat. He and wife are members of the United Brethren Church, and are among the leading citizens of the township."

[&]quot;After marriage, Mr. Nickey farmed on shares, in Ross County, till the fall of 1839, when he came to this township and bought 120 acres unimproved land the following spring, and here erected probably the first frame dwelling built in the county. He has increased his farm to 307 acres of well-improved land by adding to it from time to time."

MAHOGANY CHEST OF DRAWERS

Brought from Virginia in a covered wagon
by the Nickey Family.

(Now in possession of Mrs. Vi Etta Ort,
Churubusco, Ind.)





A WOOL COVERLET

Dyed, spun, and woven by
Elizabeth Briggs
as part of her trousseau.
She was 18 years old.

(Now in possession of Mrs. Ort)



Fourth Generation

16 JACOB NICKEY (Samuel , David, Georg)

b. 7/1-1814, Augusta Co., Va.
 d. 2/4-1892, Smith Tp., Whitley Co., Ind.

m. (1) 2/13-1834, Elizabeth Briggs, dau. of Samuel and Agnes (Shepperd) Briggs of Frankfort, Ohio.

b. 7/7-1817.

d. 9/19-1844, Smith Twp., Whitley Co., Ind.
m. (2) 1/18-1849, Catherine (Crabill) Fredericks, who was born in Shenandoah Co., Va. the dau. of William and Catherine (Funk) Crabill. She was b. 10/29-1821. She d. 12/25-1907.

Children:

i Elizabeth Jane

b. 12/12-1834, Ross., Ohio. m. 11/29-1855, Alexander More b. 4/6-1833 son of John W. More pioneer and an organizer of Whitley Co. Their marriage was followed by a residence in Hazel Grove, Daviess Co., Missouri, for five years. Here Mr. More had rurchesed a tract of land and farmed. In 1859 in company with his brother-in-law, Joseph O. Long, he joined the "gold-rush" to Pike's Peak, Colorado. Disillusioned he returned to Missouri. In 1860 he sold out and returned to buy over his father's homestead in Union Tp., Whitley County. He farmed this until his death. Their farm lay along Eel River in Union Tp., Whitley, and included the site of the Indian village which was the capital and residence of Little Turtle, Indian Chief of the Miami tribe. Both Mr. and Mrs. More gave attention to preserving this site and to organizing the County Historical Society. Both were familiar figures in the city of Fort

Children:

William Allen More

b. 5/26-1857, Hazel Grove, Mo. d. 9/25-1822 near Battle Creek, Mich., where he had engaged in fruit growing.

Wayne, and well known throughout their own county. He d. 6/2-1908. She d. 10/14-1920, at Columbia City. Their bones

m. Rachel Hyndman, of Smith Tp., Whitley Co. She was b. 10/20-1858, and d. 11/2-1938. No Children.

Sarah Agnes More

b. 9/19-1859, Hazel Grove Mo.

rest in Eel River burying ground.

d. 7/12-1931, at her home in Columbia City. m. 5/15-1884, John W. Lynch, b. 5/11-1853. He d. 19/31-1938.

Children:

(1) Mrs. T. A. Pence, Angola, Ind. (2) Frank. A. Lynch, Fort Wayne, Ind.

(3) Mrs. John M. Harris, Columbia City, Ind.

(4) Ralph W. Lynch, Camden, Ind. Agnes More Lynch has ten grandchildren.

Hubert Alexander More

b. 9/23-1861, Union Tp., Whitley Co. m. Elizabeth Schofer 5/13-1887 on her 18th birthday. He farmed his parents' home place. After his mother's death, he engaged in industry at Fort Wayne. He died 8/17-1933, at Fort Wayne, Ind. His wife resides at Fort Wayne. They have one son, two daughters.

4. Mary Elizabeth More b. 11/20-1863.

m. 9/6-1892 Alexander Kniseley, b. 12/12-1851. He d. 9/281921 at Columbia City. He was the son of Richard
and Amy (Norris) Kniseley, first settlers of
Whitley Co. He was an educator, whose teaching,
administration, and influence developed Whitley Co.
through fifty years. He was a figure in the Indiana
State educational system, promoting its most advanced ideas during three successtive terms as
County Superintendent of Schools. He took over
the paternal Richard Kniseley homestead which he
made his residence. He was the Executive Secretary
of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance association.
He was graduated from Valparaiso Normal School, now
the University, and from Quincy, Ill. Business School.

Mary More Kniseley was a teacher in the schools of Whitley Co. until her marriage. She is a club woman and an active member D. A. R. and many years Regent of her Chapter. It was she who carried through the ceremony marking the grave of Anna Catherine (Balsley) Nickey's grave with the D. A. R. marker.

Children:

(1) Ilene Kniseley

Was graduated from the University of Chicago. She met there and m. Herbert A. Winkelmann a graduate student in Chemistry. Later he associated himself with the automobile industry at Akron, Ohio.

Children:

- (1)a Elizabeth Ellen Winkelmann, a junior in college, at Akron.
- (2) Richard Winkelmann, in high school at Akron.

Mrs. Ilene Kniseley Winkelmann is a professional member of the staff of the Public Welfare and Social Service Organization of Akron, where she and her children reside, on Fernwood Drive.

(2) Allen Stewart Kniseley, had a business education.
He resides at Davenport, Iowa, where he is a
salesman for Goodrich Rubber Co. He ranked
highest as salesman for this company, in U. S.
Jan. 1, 1937. He m. Marcella
1925. They have no children.

John Ely More.

b. 11/21-1867, Union Tp., Whitley Co., Ind.

d. 11/11-1923, Orange, N. J.

m. 6/1-1893, Estella White, Davenport, Iowa. She survived him and m. (2) Charles E. Curtiss. He d. 1938. at their winter residence, Magnolia Springs, Ala.

Children:

- (1) Elizabeth More, m. Miller. They reside in Glendale, Calif.
- Children:
 (1) a Stephen Miller, in college, Penna.
 (1) Children:
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- Georgia H. More, m. Dr. Horace Abbot Martwick, Riverside, Illinois. Children:

 (1)^a John Martwick, d.y.

 (2)^a Joan Martwick.

(3) Cephise More, m. M. R. Davis, of Foley, Ala. Children:

(1)a Charles Pope Davis



John Ely More was graduated from Purdue University 1892, where he was one of the famous football team, playing end, which has gone down in history as the greatest. He took his M. A. degree, and Ph. D. at Princeton University, in electrical engineering, and received the highest honors that University had to bestow. He taught in the University a term of years, while Woodrow Wilson was President. He resigned to do commercial construction, and installed electric systems in a number of large cities. In 1903 he was called to the Western Electric Company. The family resided in New York. The following item was published in the Engineer's Journal of this Company.

"On October 10, J. E. Moore, Power Plant Specialist and Electrical Engineer in charge of Plant Methods, died very suddenly and has left a vacancy in the staff of the Engineer of Plant which it will be very difficult to fill.

He was a graduate of Purdue University, where he played the position of end on the football team which established a record for going through an entire season without having any points scored against it.

He took a post graduate course at Princeton University which conferred the degree of Doctor of Science upon him and retained him as a professor of electrical engineering for several years.

J. E. Moore had a very wide experience with electric street railway work and power plant construction. He was an electrical engineer in the firm of Bion J. Arnold Company for several years before coming to work for the Western Electric Company in 1908. During his fifteen years of service at Hawthorne, he was very largely responsible for the engineering work in connection with equipping the hospital with the most modern X-ray equipment to be found anywhere in the United States, the conversion of the Power Plant and distributing system from direct current to alternating current and the development of a complete line of panel boxes and power loop distributing systems in connection therewith, also the development of special applications of multi-speed alternating current motors with controlling apparatus to many types of machinery.

The Company has lost in him an Engineer of exceptional ability. He was a man of engaging personality and always a perfect gentleman.

6. Jacob Nickey More

b. 8/19-1878, Union Tp., Whitley Co., Ind.

d. 1/12-1901.

m. -----, Stella Morrison.
No children.

Jacob Nickey More had a most brilliant mind. When a youth he was bitten by a rattlesnake. By the most desperate means his life was saved. But he never fully recovered from this physical injury. Like his brother, John Ely, he was graduated from Purdue University, in electrical engineering, and he followed this profession until his early death, in 1901.

This letter from Elizabeth Jane More to her father gives a vivid picture of "gold-rush" methods of procedure.

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Hazel Grove, Mo. June 3, 1860

"Dear Father,

Alexander was getting along first rate the last I heard from him. Their Company had not had a bit of bad luck and their cattle all looked fine. They had a regular organized Company of twenty men; gambling, playing cards, and drinking of whiskey was not allowed in their company. They had a military captain from New York. Their secretary was the Hon. Mr. Hurburd of Kan. Ty. They were 150 miles beyond Fort Kearney the 15th of May. We have not heard from them since. I wrote one letter and directed it to Denver City, Kansas Territory, as that is all the post-office they will have. I am looking for a letter every mail. *********

I ever remain your Humble Daughter,

E. J. More"

ii Rose Ann

b. 10/20-1836, near Frankfort, Ross Co., Ohio.

d. 1/15-1928, Smith Tp., Whitley Co., Indiana.
m. 4/12-1869. George Perry, a farmer of LaOtto, Noble Co., Ind.

m. 4/12-1869, George Perry, a farmer of LaOtto, Noble Co., Ind. He d. 8/8-1919 in a hospital at Fort Wayne.

Rose Ann (Nickey) came as a very young child, with her parents, to settle on land along Eel River, in the new Nickey colony around her grand-mother Anna Catherine (Balsley) Nickey. But she remembered the journey clearly, and it was she who pridefully mentioned the fact that while other settlers may have moved to Whitley County by ox-team, the Jacob Nickeys were transported there by a spanking team of horses.

She attended school, first, in the new log-cabin school-house which her father built, (the first in Smith Tp.) on his farm in order that a teacher might be employed for his daughters and a number of their cousins. More advanced schooling was acquired by these daughters at a larger school at Heller's Corners in Allen Co., a Post-office and Store being there, on the famous Goshen Road where it crosses Eel River. This was four miles from the Nickey girls' home. But they each had a side-saddle, and rode to school on horse-back.

When 19, Rose Ann began teaching school herself, and taught her first term, in a new white frame school-house, called the "Gandy School" which was the first term in this building, likewise. It was a spring Term of 13 weeks, and the teacher was paid a total salary of \$16.00. But the beauty of spring flowers, the trilliums, boy's breeches, wild sweet-williams, may-apple-flowers, woods-violets, spring-beauties, and others among which this school-house stood, made up for the lack of salary.

This was in 1855; when her sisters, Jane, and Ruhamah, married, that year, and moved to Keokuk, Iowa, and to Hazel Grove, Missouri, she followed them, and taught in those communities, until they returned to Whitley County, when she taught again in her home township until her marriage.

A few letters to her father, from Hazel Grove give a glimpse of the public schools in Daviess Count;, Missouri, in 1858-1860. In part, they say:

Hazel Grove, January 9th

Dear Ones at Home:
With pleasure I will try to comply with your request.

Joseph and Ruey are here. We are having a good time. This is the fourth letter I have tried to write. The girls wanted to see one that I did not want them to see, so we tore them all and spoiled them. That is why this is the fourth.***********

" Kelsoe Schoolhouse, Mo. Wednesday June 6th 1860

Dear Father:

We received your kind loving letter last Saturday, and were glad to hear from you all, but sorry sister Clara has the ague.

I presume Jennie will speak for herself. We were both going to write on Sunday, but the Johnstons came to visit. So I am writing at school.

I have quite a full school, scarcely ever less than 18, and from that to 25. I have some scholars in geography, arithmetic, and grammar. Some of them are pretty mischievous. They all learn very fast.

Father we all thank you for offering to send us money. For my part I am well satisfied to stay here. I am earning money here faster than I possibly could in Indiana.

My love to all, especially to grandmother.

Your daughter, Rose

Her husband and she acquired several farms at LaOtto. After his death she moved to a town-house in Churubusco near her church, the United Brethren, in this town. She was a life long member of this denomination, having joined the congregation that worshiped in the Church building her father built at Concord center. She deeded the bulk of her property to the Otterbein Home an Institution of the United Brethren Church. She lived to the ripe old age of over 91 years. She was the last surviving one of Jacob Nickey's children. She had no children of her own.

The stamp of school-mistress remained on her to the end of her long life. Her forty-two nephews and nieces became her pupils, and with loving interest but nipping tongue she pruned and trained them and watched them grow.

After Jacob Nickeys death Rose Ann Nickey Perry became the head of the Clan. From her 70th birthday, on, until she was too feeble, the kinsmen held a family festival in her home, and brought her gifts and honor.

iii Ruhamah

- b. 10/1-1838, near Frankfort, Ross Co., Ohio.
- d. 2/5-1904, Smith Tp., Whitley Co., Ind.
- m. 1/24-1856, Joseph Orr Long son of Jesse and Hannah (Hegler, Long, pioneer settlers of Smith Tp., Whitley Co., Ind. He was b. 4/14-1834, Greene Co., Ohio. He d. 10/13-1904, Smith Tp., Whitley Co.,

Joseph Orr Long remained with his father until 21, receiving a common-school education. Then he assisted in building Whartburg College, in Union Tp. taking private lessons during the time from Rev. Jacob Woolf, Principal. He also attended the first term taught at that school. He taught school three terms, in Allen and in Whitley Counties.

After his marriage with Ruhamah Nickey they removed to Keokuk Co., Iowa. Here they resided and farmed two and a half years. Then they moved to De Kalb Co., Mo., which adjoins Daviess Co. where the Alexander Mores were living at Hazel Grove. With Alexander More, he made the journey to rike's Peak, Colorado. Late in 1860 both families returned to Whitley Co., Indiana. Joseph Long bought his father's homestead farm, on Eel River, close to Heller's Corners, and here they reared their family, and spent their later years.

Ruhamah (Nickey) Long possessed all the womanly graces. rerhaps she was the handsomest of the Nickey girls. She had poise, dressed well, and wore her clothes well. She was her younger sisters! confident, and her children's.

Children:

- 1. Charles Orton Long, b. 4/18-1857, Keokuk, Iowa. He d. at his home, Hutchinson, Kansas, 11/27-1927. He m. (1) 9/18-1879, Sarah Ann Jackson, dau. of James and Sarah Ann (Harter, Jackson of Smith Tp., Whitley Co., who was the mother of his children. She d. 5/17-1890, Churubusco, Ind. He m. (2) Helen Ackley, who survives him, 11/7-1894. Charles 0. Long had eighteen grand children at the time of his death.
 - Children: (1) Frederick T. Long, b. 3/10-1880, m. 10/7-1900, Dorothy Sneider, Lake Tp., Allen County.

Children:

- (1)^a Margerie Long, b. 9/17-1901.
- (2)a Clifford Sneider Long, b. 10/10-1907.
- (2) Bessie Gertrude Long, b. 12/1-1881, m. in 1904, James D. Bond of Arlington, Kansas.

Children:

- (1)^a Sue Enid Bond. (2)^a Walter Bond.
- (3)^a Jackson Long Bond.
- (3) Eleanor Long, b. 9/20-1883, m. R. K. Kelly of Greensburg, Kans.
- (4) Edward J. Long, b. 11/25-1885, Minneola, Kans.
- (5) Dorthy Eldora Long, b. 8/1-1887, m. in 1907, Charles Cottle of Greensburg, Kans.

Resides at

(6) Judson Chatain Long, b. 5/8-1890, Guymond, Okla.

2. J. Leolin Long, b. 8/14-1859, De Kalb Co., Mo. m. 10/30-1890, Jessie Ann Welsheimer of Allen Co., Ind.

Children:

- (1) Robert Welsheimer Long, b. 7/24-1903. Resides at Mishawaka, Ind.
- 3. Frank Ellis Long, b. 10/10-1862, Smith Tp., Whitley Co., Ind. He m. (1)
 Tressa Jane Furdy 1/14-1885, of Toledo, Ohio. She d. 10/30-1890. He m. (2) Emma J. Rosselot. ne d. at Fort wayne, Ind. 7/23-1935.

Children: (by second marriage,

- (1) Ralph Long, now do'd.
- (2) Ruth Long, m.
- 4. Ora Estella Long, b. 10/5-1864, amith Tp., Whitley Co., Ind. m. 10/5-1882, on her 18th birthday, Lamuel W. Jackson, son of James and Sarah Ann (Harter) Jackson of Smith Tp., Whitley co. He d. 8/27-1889 in Almena, Kansas. m. (2) Rev. W. Wood 12/2-1897.

Children:

r(1) James Evan Jackson, b. 9/9-1883. m. 1/21-1909, Ernestine Engold. He resides at Cleveland, Ohio.

Children:

 $(1)^{\circ}$ Myrtle Marie Jackson She was graduated from business college, Cleveland, Ohio, 1/24-1939.

- 42) Ethel Ruhamah Jackson, b. 9/9-1883. m. 9/6-1905, Byron J. Smith of Indianapolis. She was killed in an auto accident when her youngest child was an infant. Children:
 - (1)^a Byron Judson Smith Jr., b. 8/23-1906. m. Bernice Ayers. They have one dau. Carol.
 - (2) Ernestine Smith. She m. Charles Welsheimer. They have one son, Bobby Welsheimer. They reside in San Antonio, Texas.
 - (3)^a Robert J. Smith, m. Margaret . Resides at Indianapolis, Ind.
 - (4) Hughes Long Smith was graduated from Indiana University, 1939. Resides in Indianapolis, Ind.
 - (5) Elizabeth Smith. Entered Butler College autumn semester, 1938. She plans to finish at the University of Chicago. Resides in Indianapolis, Ind.
- 5. Ruah Elizabeth Long, b. 5/4-1871. Resides at Bluffton, Ind. Has not married. (twins)
- ϵ . Bertie Jacob Long, b. 5/4-1871, injured at birth, remained an invalid. d. 11/10-1895.
- 7. Addie Rose Long, b. 7/3-1874. m. 7/30-1896, Rollin O. Stites of Churubusco, Ind. He. d. 6/24-1924, at Bluffton, Ind.

- (1) Leolin Ellsworth Stites, b. 1/22-1903.
- Addie Rose (Long) Stites and her son reside at Bluffton, Ind.

iv Sarah Anna Catherine

- b. 3/22-1840 Smith Twp., whitley Co., Ind.
- m. 3/3-1859, William Krider, son of Jeremiah Krider of Churubusco, Indiana. ne died 1917. He was b. 2/22-1838.

Children:

- 1. Irvin Jacob Krider
 - b. 6/16-1860.

d. 1937 at his farm home near Concord, smith Twp. m. 10/27-1881, Kate Slagle, dau. of Uriah Slagle of Smith Twp., Whitley Co., Ind. She d. 4/29-1939, They are

buried at mel River Cemetery.

Children:

(1) Mamie Krider, b. 8/24-1884. m. Harry Briggs, grandson of Jesse & Rebecca Ann Nickey Briggs.

Children:
(1)^a Robert Krider Briggs, b. 5/22-1902.
(2)^a William E. Briggs, b. 8/28-1903.

2. Lillie Vietta Krider

b. 9/17-1865.

m. 6/6-1888, santford Ort of Churubusco, 1nd. He was b. 12/26-1866. ne d. 3/14-1930.

Children:

(1) sidney E. Ort

b. 3/17-1889, Churubusco, Ind. m. 9/6-1911, mary McConnell

Children:

(1)^a Marilyn ort b. (2)^a Richard Ort b.

Sidney E. Ort is a merchant, head of a General Department store at Churubusco, a business established by his father.

Military Service of sidney E. Ort: Entered the world war September, 1917 in the first draft from whitley County. Promoted to corporal, Cotober 1917. Promoted to Sargeant November 1917. Promoted to 1st Class Sargeant, December 1917. stationed at Camp Taylor, Ky. from Sept. 1917, to June 1918. Moved with 84th Division from Camp Taylor to Camp Sherman, Ohio, June 1918. Recommended for Commission in Quartermaster's Corps for part of 1918.

From Sept. 1917, to June 1918, while at Camp Taylor, Ky. he was in charge of Headquarter's Exchange. Assigned to Company C of 309th Field Signal pattalion, on special duty at Exchange. After the Division moved to Camp sherman, Ohio, he was taken into the 309th Field signal Battalion as special duty Auditor.

Commission came while at Camp sherman and he was sent to Camp Gordon, out of Atlanta, Ga. as Assit Camp Quartermaster. Remained there until June 1919. Motored home, and was discharged at Camp Sherman, with the rank First Lieutenant.

He was made a scottish Rite Mason at Louisville, Ky. in 1917. He joined the Mizpah Shrine at Ft. Wayne, Ind. 1920.

(2) Robert Krider Ort

b. 12/22-1894

m. 10/29-1917, muriel Maybra of Vandalia, Ill. He is a graduate of Northwestern University School of Dentistry. He practices at Mansfield, Ohio. He is affiliated with the Mansfield Order of B.P.O.E.

Children:

(1)a Robert Maybra Ort, b. 12/31-1919. (2)^a Jack Krider Ort, b. 9/19-1921.

Lillie Vietta Krider Ort, whose husband was a merchant, and head of the firm, Ort and Son, at Churubusco, is a business, club, and church woman, having built up a fine social life in the home town where she has lived since her marriage. She has traveled extensively in the United States, and has enjoyed one European tour. She is a collector of antique furniture and rare old oriental rugs.

3. Willard O. Krider

b. 12/20-1866.

m. (1, 10/18-1887, Cora Lincoln.

b. 2/14-1870.

d. 9/4-1906, at Columbia City, Ind.

Children:

(1, Blanche K. Krider

b. 1/15-1889

m. 9/2-1908, James A. Greene, a farmer's son. They farmed near Collins, Indiana.

Children:

(1) Robert Greene, of Ft. Wayne (2)a Kenneth Greene, of Churubusco.

(2) Ralph Krider, b. 11/19-1895, resides at Churubusco, Ind. (3) Truman E. Krider, b. 9/15-1905, of Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Willard O. Krider m. (2, Maggie Foster, of Smith Twp. He created a model farm, and home. In a Farm rlan Contest held over 16 States of the Middle West, the willard O. Krider's farm, near Collins was chosen as the best in the State of Indiana, and as such received wide publicity, both as to buildings and live stock on the farm. Methods of farming to increase crop yields, and the feeding of practically all that is raised on the farm to livestock were the key notes of the honor won. He has now retired and resides at Columbia City, Ind.

4. Elizabeth Krider

b. 2/5-1870.

m. 12/17-1890, Frank Egolf, a farmer, Smith Twp. b. 7/26-1869.

Children:

(1) raul Egolf, b. 1/1-1892. (2) Ross Egolf, b. 7/27-1895.

(3) Catherine Egolf, b. 2/26-1897.

(4) Helen agolf, b. 3/5-1902. (twins)

(5) Hildreth Egolf, b. 3/5-1902. (6) Geraldine Egolf, b. 4/24-1908. (7) Gerald Egolf, b. 4/22-1908.

Elizabeth Krider Egolf was a great church worker and a good wife and mother, rearing a fine family, two pair of twins. She

- d. 1926, at her farm home near Collins, Indiana.
- 5. Olla Krider
 b. 10/8-1876, near Collins, Ind.
 After completing the Public Schools of Whitley County she attended the College at Angola but changed to a Business College at Fort Wayne, Ind.
 m. 12/13-1905, Alfred Louis Wollam, son of Samuel and Jane (Ridenour)
 Wollam of Ohio. He was b. 1870. He is now a fruit-grower of Alameda,
 California.

Children:

(By a former marriage of Alfred L. Wollam)

- (1) Gerald Wollam
 b. 1/22-1898, Continental, Ohio.
 He was graduated from University of California at Berkeley
 1923. Electrical Engineer. He was organizer and member
 of the Commercial Society. He is with the Westinghouse
 Corporation, and has recently been transferred from
 Pittsburg to Baltimore, in charge of radio-work there.
 - m. ____ Grace Richford. No children.
- (2) Ora Wollam
 b. 10/30-1899, Continental, Ohio.
 He was graduated from University of California, 1923.
 Chemical Engineer. He is with the Shell Oil Co. offices in San Franciso. He resides at San Leandro. He belongs to Alpha Chi Sigma.

m. 9/14-1930, Gertrude Parker.

Children:

(1)a Constance Emily Wollam.

(Children of Alfred L. and Olla (Krider) Wollam)

- (3) Ruth Wollam
 b. 10/1-1911, Medford, Oregon.
 Graduated from University of California at Berkeley, 1933.
 Registered in the Nurse's School of Merritt Hospital,
 Oakland, and was graduated 1936.
 m. 6/12-1937, Oliver Beckwith, son of George E. Beckwith of
 Welsh and English descent, and Mary Harms of German ancestry.
 Oliver Beckwith was graduated from University of California,
 1938, Phi Mu Delta Fraternity. They reside at 4250 Wellshire
 Ave., Oakland.
 - Children:
 (1) Patricia Ann Beckwith
 b. 1/24-1940, Oakland, California.
- (4) Clarence Krider Wollam.

 b. 1/12-1915, Medford, Oregon. Was graduated from University of California, Berkeley, 1936. He is registered for his doctorate.
- 5. Samuel Nickey Krider

 b. 2/20-1982, near Collins, Whitley Co., Ind.
 d. 1935, near Huntington, Wabash Co., Ind.
 m. 7/20-1904, Cecil McGinley, of Columbia City, Ind.
 She was b. 2/15-1885.

Roderic Krider b. 10/12-1905, near Churubusco, Ind. m1932, Mary Sue Bettis, dau. of George Robert and Cora Mae Bettis of Paseola, Mo. She was b. 11/25- 1908 at Paseola. She attended the University of California at Berkeley, where Mr. Krider met her.
dren:
(1)a Carolyn Sue Krider b. 8/25-1939, at Oakland, Calif. She is 8th generation from Georg Niecke.
Roderic Krider was graduated from the University of California at Berkeley in 1932. He specialized as a mechanical engineer. He has experimented with Deterium (Heavy Water). He developed a method and built the first plant for commercial production of this so-called "Heavy Water." Actually, he is engineer for a comptometer, which is rapidly replacing the earlier devices in this field. He resides at Oakland, California.
Leonard Krider b. 12/6-1907 near Churubusco, Ind. m.———————————————————————————————————
dren:
(1) ^a Robert Leon Krider, b. (2) ^a Phyllis Krider, b.
Leonard Krider farms the place built up by his father, continuing in the dairy business near Huntington, Ind.
Joseph Krider

b. _____ near Churubusco, Ind.
m. ____ June Baker.

Children:
(1)^a Carolyn Marie Krider, b.____.

The widow, Cecil (McGinley) Krider lives in Huntington, Ind. Samuel Krider was graduated from the Agricultural College of Purdue University. He became a very successful dairy farmer. He was a high-minded man, active, also, in the church, and much admired by his fellow citizens. His residence and farm were near Huntington, Indiana.

v Clarissa

- b. 4/5-1842, Smith Tp., Whitley Co.
- d. 3/25-1913, Denver, Colorado.
- m. 4/5-1863, Louis F. Metsker, son of Christian and Catherine (Gnagy) Metsker, of Somerset County and Northampton Co., Penna. He was b. 6/12-1840, in Tuscarawas Co., Ohio. He d. 9/12-1907 at Churubusco, Indiana.

Children:

1. Ella Ruhamah Metsker, b. 7/1-1864, Churubusco, Ind. She received her early education in the public schools of Whitley County and began teaching in those schools before she was 16. She taught in Churubusco, South Whitley and Auburn, Indiana. She was Ass't. Prin. in the Auburn High School, when she resigned to enter the University of Chicago for collegiate training. She was graduated from this University in 1906, with the degree A.B. She went immediately to be Dean of Women and Assistant Professor of Latin in the University of Denver. She continued post-graduate work in the University of Chicago, and the University of Denver, where in 1916 she was awarded the Mater's degree. She was on the Faculty Staff of the University of Denver, almost without break until 1937 when she retired, being now Instructor in History of Art Emeritus, in that institution.

She has been especially active in the American Association of University Women. She was President of the Denver Branch 1929-1933. She attended the national conventions at New Orleans and at Boston. She was a delegate to the Conference at Amsterdam of the International Federation of University Women, 1926. She is a life member of the University of Chicago Alumni Association, and an advisor to the Alumni Council. She is a member of Denver Chapter D.A.R. She is listed in "American Women" Vol. I, II, and III, in "Leading Women of America", and in the "International Blue Book" 1939.

m. 3/29-1911, Edward W. Milligan, a business executive in the W.H.Kistler Stationery and Frinting House of Denver, Colorado.

Mr. Milligan, as a hobby, has made himself an authority on the history of the Old West and Colorado. In conjunction with another hobby, photography, he has created a collection of slides, over 2500 in number, of historic buildings, early-day scouts and leaders, scenes showing the development of mining, cattle-business, religious organizations, colleges, and National Parks and improvements. Many of these are painted in color by him. He is a frequent and well-liked lecturer on these subjects.

Children:

She has had no children of her own. She reared three step-children.

(1) Mary Virginia Milligan, b. 1/20-1899.

She was graduated from the University of Chicago, 1921, and received the M.A. degree from the University of Illinois in June, 1926, with academic honors. She m. Orton K. Stark, Ph.D., University of Ill., 1926, at her parent's home in Denver, September 10, 1926. Dr. Stark is at present Prof. of Bacteriology at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. Mary is a member of the sorority, Gamma Phi Beta, and an associate member of the honorary Science fraternity Sigma Psi.

Children:

(1)a Virginia Ruth Stark, b. 9/5-1927

(2) Edward Milligan Stark, b. 3/29-1931.

(2) Robert Edward Milligan, b. 6/12-1900. He was graduated from Warren Academy, Denver (Prep. School) and entered the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, September, 1917. He resigned from the Naval Academy in the winter term of 1920, owing to an injury which disabled him for service. He entered the University of Illinois where he earned the Chem. Engineer's degree with honors, 1922. He m. 4/27-1923, Gertrude Straw, dau. of Dr. Darien A. Straw, Prof. of Philosophy in Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill. He was appointed as a Research Chemist to the firm of Sherwin-Williams Paint Co., Chicago, in 1923 which position he still holds, as well as being an adjuster in the Administrative Department of the Company. He resides in Flossmoor, residential suburb of Chicago. He is an associate member of the Honorary Science Society Sigma Psi.

Children:

- (1)a (2)a Robert James Milligan, b. 12/18-1930. Patricia Ann Milligan, b. 3/14-1934.
- (3) Janet Hale Milligan, b. 2/18-1907.

She was graduated from the University of Denver, with honors, 1926. She did a half year of post graduate work, and taught a year. She was united in marriage 12/2-1927 to John H. Heaton Jr. of Denver, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. John H. Heaton is at present General Manager of the Seattle Sonotone Company with offices at Seattle and Tacoma. They reside in Seattle. Janet is a member of the Greek letter sorority Gamma Phi Beta.

Children:

- (1)a (2)a Mary Kathryn Heaton, b. 6/2-1929. (2)^a Janet Helen Heaton, b. 10/7-1930. (3)^a Jo Ann Heaton, b. 1/29-1935.
- 2. Anna Rose Metsker
 - b. 11/2-1865, Churubusco, Ind.
 - d. 6/16-1919, in the Lutheran Hospital, Ft. Wayne, Ind. m. 10/30-1888, John H. Grisamer, a merchant of Churubusco, Ind.

She received her education in the public schools of Whitley County. She studied music one year in the Fort Wayne College of Music, taking piano and guitar. Before her marriage, like her sisters, she taught in the public schools of Whitley County, being the Principal of the Collins School at the time of her marriage. John H. Grisamer had bought the old Metsker homestead. "Locust Lawn", and resided there until his death, 1/11-1939. They are buried in the Eel River burying Ground, a place filled with kindred and friends.

Callie May Metsker. (She changed to Metzger) b. 6/2-1869, Churubusco.

> She also was a public school teacher. She was one of the First High School Class to be graduated from the Standardized High School Course offered in the Churubusco Schools. She attended a highly specialized kindergarten training school at Logansport Indiana. But she disliked teaching. She went to Valparaiso Normal & Business College and took a business course. She then took a position in the office of the Brown Lumber Co. at Mentone,

Indiana. She held this, until she changed to accept a position in the McGill Land Co. in Bay City, Texas. She now operates her own office at Bay City as Agent for Real Estate, Insurance, and Oil Companies. She buys and rehabilitates farms. She has ownership in several oil wells. She did not marry. She adheres to the Presbyterian Church.

4. Grace Darling Metsker

b. 2/11-1872 at Churubusco.

d. 2/18-1909, Denver, Colorado.

m. 9/1-1892, Samuel Mossman Nickey, son of Addison Boyd and Orpha (Mossman) Nickey, of Fort Wayne. They settled at Auburn, Ind. where the firm Nickey and Sons was operating a sawmill and lumber plant. Later they moved to Princeton, Ind. To seek health. Grace was obliged to live in Colorado.

Before her marriage she spent a few years, after finishing the Churubusco High School, in teaching. She was a natural social leader, as well as a charming woman. She was active in Club work and a devoted member of the Presbyterian Church.

Children:

(1) Eleanor Maximilia Nickey
b. 6/27-1893 at Auburn, Ind.
She studied in Warren Academy, Denver, in Ogontz
Preparatory School, Penna., and Lake Forest Academy,
Evanston. She registered in Smith College and was
graduated in June, 1917.

In the year 1909-1910 Eleanor, in company with her father, enjoyed a round-the-World-cruise, with extended itineraries in India, China, and Japan, visiting many interior cities and provinces.

She was residing at Bishop's Lodge, Santa Fe, New Mexico in 1922, when President Hoover held the first Boulder Dam, or Colorado River Conference, in that hostelry. She reported the proceedings of the Conference for the New Mexico newspapers at Santa Fe, and Albuquerque.

Later she removed to Albuquerque, then to Hollywood, California. Occasionally she did reportorial work on the city papers. But her health broke completely, and she returned to Sunmount, New Mexico, where she died 9/15-1924. She did not marry.

5. Gertrude Nickey Metsker

b. 5/4-1874, Churubusco.

d. 12/28-1934, Laramie, Wyoming.

m. 6/15-1897, Rev. Harvey S. Lawrence, D.D.

She received her education in the Churubusco Public and High School. She taught in Whitley County a number of years, chiefly in the Columbia City Schools. Here she met Rev. H. S. Lawrence, D.D., a young graduate of Wittenberg College. They were joined in marriage in the Lutheran Church of that town. They settled at Van Wert, Ohio, where Dr. Lawrence had been

called to the pastorate. Later he held pastorates at Spring-field, Ohio, Peabody, Kansas, and El Paso, Texas, and Laramie, Wyoming in all of which places she labored as sedulously as he. She is buried in Fairmount, Denver.

Children:

(1) Renn Metsker Lawrence b. 10/20-1898 at Van Wert, Ohio. m. 10/31-1920, Lillian Lee Towne, of San Antonio, Texas.

Children:

(1)^a Renn Metsker Lawrence Jr., b. 1/27-1922. (2)^a Randlett Towns Lawrence, b. 6/26-1926. They expect to enter U. S. Military Academy. Renn Metsker Lawrence is a Lt. Colonel in the U. S. Cavalry, stationed at Chicago, Ill. He is a devotee of Polo.

- (2) George Louis Lawrence
 b. 12/24-1904.
 d. El Paso, Texas, 1920, by an accident.
- (3) Harvey Sylvester Lawrence Jr.
 b. 8/11-1907.
 m. 9/2-1934, Augusta Behrens of Denver, Colorado.
 He farms the Lawrence homestead in Whitley County.
- (4) David Frederick Lawrence
 b. 8/20-1909.

 He was graduated from the University of Denver, June
 1930. He was end-man on the University Football team
 during his four years, and with his team visited Hawaii
 for an exchange game. He took a training course in investment banking at Chicago. At present he is a memberowner in Boetcher & Co., Investment Bankers, Denver.
 He is a Greek letter man, Kappa Sigma. He m. Margery
 Campbell Baker, 8/7-1932.

Children:

- (1) Margery Kathryn Lawrence, b. 4/11-1936.
- 6. Katherine Elizabeth Metsker
 - b. 5/5-1876, Churubusco, Ind.
 - d. 6/5-1921, Beaumont, Texas.
 - m. 6/22-1903, Harry P. Barry, a young attorney, of Iowa, who had started practice in the booming oil-town of Beaumont, Texas, where they made their new home.

She was graduated from the Churubusco Public and High School. She taught in the Columbia City Public Schools; she spent a year, as private tutor to a group of children on an extensive cattle ranch, near Springer, New Mexico. Residing at this ranch was the young American painter, Irving Couse. Katherine and Irving Couse formed a party, traveling on horseback, to visit the Indian Fiesta and Dances at Taos. This visit to Taos led gradually to the establishment of the famous Artists' Colony at Taos, of which Irving Couse was pioneer.

She returned to Indiana and took a business course at Valparaiso Business School, where she met Harry P. Barry. She was employed a few years in the County Clerk's Office at Columbia City while he finished his law-course. This family are members of the Roman Catholic Communion.

Children:

(1) Helen Rose Barry, b. 8/26-1904.

(2) Katherine Barry, b. 8/23-1907. d. 3/4-1913, Denver, Colo.
(3) Grace Nickey Barry, b. 7/30-1909. d. 7/14-1925, Cleveland, Ohio, where she was in preparatory school.

Helen Rose Barry was graduated from St. Anthony's School and received fine legal training in her father's law-office at Beaumont. She is at present Secretary in the Legal Department of the city of Beaumont, Texas.

7. Lois Frances Metsker

b. 12/15-1879, Churubusco, Ind.

m. 8/4-1910, Samuel Mossman Nickey, whose first wife had been her sister, Grace Darling, then deceased. The marriage ceremony was performed at the home of her sister, Mrs. John H. Grisamer. After a wedding journey to Boston and other eastern places of interest, they returned to Memphis, Tennessee to reside, where the Nickeys were operating several lumber plants.

She was graduated from Indiana State University in 1907. Before her marriage, she was on the teaching staff of the Rushville, Indiana, High School.

She has traveled freely in the States. She toured Europe in 1927. She enjoyed a sojourn in Mexico, in 1937, and with her husband visited Panama, the West Indies, and other ports in the Carribean Sea, 1939.

She is a Board Member of the Memphis Art Association; Secretary of the Memphis Garden Club (P. A. R.); a social leader in Memphis, and a devoted member of Memphis Second Presbyterian Church.

Children:

100 (1) Samuel Mossman Nickey Jr. b. 7/23-1912.
m. Elizabeth McKellar.

(2) Lois Elizabeth Nickey
b. 12/6-1917, at Memphis.
m. 12/6-1938, Wilson Jeter Eason, son of Andrew Wilson
and Mrs. Eason of Memphis. Jeter Eason is a practicing
architect of Memphis. He received his training at
Carnegie Institute of Technology. Lois E. was graduated
from Miss Hutchinson's School, Memphis and entered
Randolph-Macon Woman's College where she completed two
years. She is a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority;
a member of Junior League; a member of the Presbyterian
Church, and a member of the Royal Club, which is an
organization of those who have been King, Queen, Prince,
or Princess in the celebrated Cotton Carnival, rivaling
the Mardi Gras of New Orleans.

She has enjoyed considerable travel. While in college she spent one summer in Europe. In company with her brother, 1938, she made the circle tour of Mexico and the South American States, traveling by air, and visit-

ing such capitals as Mexico City, Lima, Valparaiso, Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro, and others. She had a side-trip up the Amazon River to the interior of Brazil.

8. Frederick Christian Metsker
b. 9/7-1885, Churubusco, Ind.
d. 11/3-1935, Dallas, Texas.

Like his seven sisters before him he was graduated from the Churubusco Schools, and taught a few years in the rural schools of the Township. Then he entered Purdue University taking a course leading to Civil engineering. He got his first civilengineering job from the Denver & Rio Grande Western R. R. Co., to survey a tract on the turbulent Gunnison River, Western Slope of the Rockies, in Colorado. This was in 1907. He completed this next to impossible project, and another for the Union Pacific lines in Wyoming. Then he went to Hillsboro, Texas, where he was made City Engineer. In 1918 he got an engineering job with the Sun Oil Co. at Beaumont, Texas, and moved to this town. He went with this Company when they moved their offices to Dallas, Texas. He was promoted until he became Chief Civil Engineer of the Texas Division of the Company.

He was a deacon of the M. E. Church. His recreation was golf, and he was an ardent foot-ball fan.

m. (1) 5/10-1916, Hermione Hord of Hillsboro, Texas. Hermione (Hord) Metzger (her husband changed the spelling of his name) d. 1/20-1919 from influenza contracted at the birth of her child.

Children:

- (1) Katharine Ann
 b. 1/13-1919.
 She was graduated from North Dallas High School 6/5-1936.
 She registered in Sophie Newcomb College, New Orleans,
 September 1936 for the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree.
 She is now a Junior in that College, and already an
 art student of some distinction.
- m. (2) 9/20-1921, Emma Benroth, a sister of Mrs. Matthew Sweeney, of Dallas. She reared Katharine Ann, and resides in Dallas, Texas.
- 32 vi Allen Skillman Nickey, b. 3/10-1844. m. (1) 8/11-1862, Mary Reed.
- 33 vii William Sylvester Nickey, b. 11/3-1849. m. 10/17-1878, Jennie Mossman.
 - viii Mary Naomi

b. 11/24-1851, Smith Twp., Whitley Co., Ind.

d. 4/29-1886, Churubusco, Ind., following the birth of her second daughter.

m. 6/15-1878, Nathaniel Metsker, of Churubusco. He was the brother of Louis F. Metsker, husband of her half-sister, Clarissa Nickey. She was the second wife of Nathaniel Metsker. He was b. 10/27-1837 at Strasburg, Ohio, and had removed to Churubusco with his parents in 1850. He d. at Churubusco 3/12-1919. He was a farmer, and was a charter member of the United Brethren Church of that town.

Children:

- Goldie Metsker b. 5/21-1880, Churubusco. She resides in Columbia City, Ind.
- Dora Metsker

b. 4/17-1886, at Churubusco.

 d. 7/17-1931, at Ossian, Indiana, her home.
 m. 8/7-1906, Joseph McClain, son of High Stewart and Mary E. (Coverstone) McClain of Collins, Smith Twp., Whitley Co., being thus the brother of Rozella McClain, the wife of Landon H. Nickey. He was b. 5/25-1883. He is a carpenter by trade, and resides at Ossian, Indiana. Dora was a graduate of the Churubusco High School.

Children:

(1)Helen McClain b. 5/14-1907. She is employed as a sales clerk in a mercantile establishment at Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

(2) Hildreth McClain b. 6/3-1910. m. 2/28-1934 Charles Hissem. He is in the undertaking business at Ossian. No children.

(3) Joan McClain b. 9/19-1924. She is in High School at Ossian, Ind.

* ix Austin

b. 1852.

d. 1890. Did not marry. Lies in the family burying plot, at Concord.

x Jacob Wilson Nickey b. 4/5-1854. m. Mina Lord.

^{*} Named for Dr. Stephen S. Austin, the attending physician at his birth. Dr. Austin was elected the first President of the Whitley County Medical Society, organized 1883. He was graduated from the Indiana Medical College, (Indianapolis) 1849. He was a very successful physician.



Fourth Generation

DIVISION TWO



THE NICKEY ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA

In Pennsylvania, and in Ohio, but more markedly in Pennsylvania, the families descended from the Pennsylvania German Colonists are forming Associations, and holding Reunions, each Summer season in centers where their antecedents have made history, or in some Park of Pennsylvania, the Beautiful. These Association meetings have a picnic dinner, speeches, and elect officers. The Officers collect enough money to publish and disseminate some data on the family and to make the needed announcements.

The Nickey Association, chiefly families living in York, Adams, Dauphin, and Cumberland Counties, (which are the home base of the Family) has met five times. Miss Ruth A. Deatrick, of East Berlin, the Secretary-Treasurer, writes:

"I hope you will be able to come to your Reunion." Note the word "your", and that I live in Denver, Colorado: She continues: "There are no dues. Everybody does have a good time talking. One can hardly get them to stop long enough to have a Business Meeting. Last year, there were 125 present, as near as I could count. I knew if you are there to tell about the Nickeys in United States, more will come."

The Officers for 1939-1940 are:

President: Daniel Nickey,

809 Wayne Avenue, York, Penna.

Vice-President: Earl Reiber,

607 So. 23rd St., Harrisburg, Penna.

Sec'y-Treas .: Miss Ruth A. Deatrick,

East Berlin, Pennsylvania.

The place of the next meeting:

GEIMAN'S PARK, GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA.

The last Sunday in June, 1940.

JACOB NICKEY

of Washington Twp., York County

Jacob Nickey is typical of a father's eldest son. He became a "second father" to his younger brothers and remained his father's "Trusty". It fell to his lot to administer his father's estate, and to handle the affairs of his mother and his brothers (Daniel and John Jr.) whose deaths succeeding the father's, in turn, involved the entire business of settlement. Henry L. Nickey, his youngest brother, died before Jacob, too. But sensing his approaching death he made a will and named his "dear friend George Baker" as his executor. Then came death to Jacob Nickey himself, the last man of his father's family.

Jacob owned his own farm in Washington Twp., but an entangling financial strain upon him caused him to lose it. After that, he rented the Hooper farm one-half mile south of Kralltown in Dover Twp. Here, he passed away at the age of fifty-five, and was buried at Salem Reformed Church near Dover, of which he was probably a communicant.

He had married late. Consequently, his children were young at the time of his death. His wife was a frail little woman. Money was scarce. She could not look to Nickeys for help; there were none. But her March relatives adopted the older children, and she herself reared Elizabeth and Granville who were mere infants.

After all such reverses have a compensation. Such children become selfreliant and capable sooner, learn to make their own way. Such children are
apt to develop hand skills. In Pennsylvania there was abundant opportunity
to do this. It will be noted that the York County Nickeys are of this type.
To illustrate: David Franklin and Granville became carpenters and builders,
the former developing into a contractor in Ohio. The sons of Granville, living in Hanover, are machinists, expert and skilled in iron work. They do not
all work at the factory or the same type of work. They are employed in factories manufacturing machinery, or making small machine parts, or doing general repair work.

David Franklin Nickey of Columbus, Ohio (he passed his 87th birthday on April 8) talks interestingly of the early life of this family--Civil War times and later. He attended Ramer's school in a brick building which still stands. The first year he went to school for three months. The next several years he went from three to four months, but it was interrupted by threshing, cornhusking, etc. Jacob Spahr, his foster father lived near a village named Big Mount about half way between Dover and East Berlin. Jacob Spahr's house was built of logs which were then covered by drop-siding, a type of construction called "gutter-post" in that locality.

The granddaughter of Jacob Nickey, Lilly May, now a teacher in the schools of Columbus, Ohio, writes this: "Years ago my cousin, Oliver Garber, the son of Mary Ann Nickey, gave me a bag of papers of my grandfather's which my grandmother had kept (she died 1892). Now and then I looked at the papers, but never thoroughly—and haven't yet! Still, since communicating with you I can understand them better. Many of them deal with notes and money received (I think) which were grandfather's business transactions in settling up those estates of his father and brothers. One was especially interesting—not in business—written by a man who evidently wanted to borrow a horse and I guess was not successful, for he wrote in a letter, 'You might as well ask a man for his wife as to borrow a horse.' Ha!"

THE ACCOUNT

Of Jacob Nickey, surviving Administrator of John Nickey, Senr. decd. late of Washington Township of the Real Estate of said deceased

The Accountant charges) himself with the amount)		The Accountant prays credit for the following payments viz:	
of the Real Estate sold) to Henry L. Nickey)	\$5593.50 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14.	Paid William Caldwell David Danner William Mundorff Leonard Kapp Abraham King Moses M. Neeley William Bart Jacob Weaver Moses M. Neeley Moses M. Neele	
		Accountant prays allowance for the amount of the money remaining a Lien on interest for the widow 932.	
		Also with the one third of the first payment, which remained a Lien for the use of the widow 155	.37
		Also with the amount of the payments not yet due 2330. Also with the amount of the first payment which was paid immediately to the heirs and	
		did not come into the hands of the Accountant Balance due by Accountant the whole of which has been paid over to the heirs and	.75
Sworn to and Subscribed)		\$8.94 over 1432	.06
February 26th, 1849) before) John A. Wilson)	Jacob Nicke	\$5593	.50

Clerk

Fourth Generation, Division Two

Genealogical Table

remained a widow. She d. 12/30-1892, surviving her husband almost 33 years. She is buried at Hampton, Adams County, Pennsylvania.

Children:

- i Mary Ann
 - b. 12/12-1842, Washington Twp., York County, Pennsylvania

9/13-1880

m. ----1862, Henry Gerber (Garber). He was b. 6/20-1841. He d. ----

Children:

1. Rebecca Jane Gerber

b. 9/4-1863

m. --- Jacob Wiley

Children:

- (1) Bruce Wiley
 - m. ----, Queen Linebock. No children.
- (2) Verna Wiley m. ----, Alvin Weikert. One child.
- John Oliver Gerber (Garber)

b. 9/19-1865

m. ----, Martha Jane Chronister, sister of Elizabeth, wife of John M. Nickey, and of Mary, wife of David F. Nickey. She was b. 1/6-1861 and d. 4/9-1937.

Children:

- (1) Charles D. Gerber m. ----, Gertie Lenhart. No children.
- (2) Una Gerber m. ----, Jonas Wolf of Hampton, Pennsylvania.

Children:

- (1)^a Arthur Wolf
- (2)^a Edgar Wolf m. ---- Mary Mackey

Children:

(1)b Jo Ann Wolf

- (3)^a Helen Wolf
- (4)^a Isabel Wolf
- (5)^a Fred Wolf

This family resides at Hampton, Pennsylvania.

		m, Frank reiser
		Children: (1) ^a Ruth Feiser
		(2) ^a Fred Feiser
	(4)	Roy Gerber (Garber) b Esther Taughenbaugh
		Children:
		(1)a Clyde Gerber
		(2) ^a Rosella Gerber
	(5)	Luther Gerber (Garber) b Nellie Smith
		m, Nellie Smith
		Children: (1) ^a Marion Gerber
		(2) ^a Mildred Gerber
		(3) ^a Dale Gerber
		(4) ^a Esther Gerber
		(5) ^a Harold Gerber
	(6)	William Gerber (Garber) b m, Mabel Jonkins
		Children:
		(1) ^a Margaret Gerber
		(2) ^a Charles Gerber
		(3) ^a Bettie Gerber
		(4) ^a Dolores Gerber
•	b. 7/	Gerber (Garber) /3-1867
	m	, Viola Chronister
	Childr (1)	ren: Clair Gerber
	(2)	Paul Gerber
	(3)	Henry Gerber
	(4)	Mae Gerber
	(5)	

(3) Florence Gerber b. ----

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m. ----, Harvey Britcher
              Children:
                (1) ----
                (2) ----
                (3) ----
          5. Henry Gerber (Garber)
b. 5/8-1872
m. ----, Florence Anthony
              Children:
                (1) Louis Gerber
                (2) Monroe Gerber
                (3) Mabel Gerber
                (4) Gertie Gerber
          6. Ida Gerber
              b. 1/25-1875
              She has not married
          7. Sylvan Gerber (Garber)
              b. ----
             m. ----, Alice Kapp
             No children
          8. Annie Gerber
             b. ----
             m. ----, John Anthony
              Children:
               (1) Raymond Anthony
               (2) -----
    ii Lewis A.
       b. 2/3-1844, Washington Twp., York County, Pennsylvania d. 3/15-1846
35 iii Jacob M.
       b. 6/30-1845, Washington Twp., York County, Pennsylvania
       m. ----, Catherine Glapater (Klenepeter)
36
    iv John M.
       b. 1/29-1847, Washington Twp., York County, Pennsylvania
       m. ----, Elizabeth Chronister
    v Amelia
      b. 1/28-1849, Washington Twp., York County
      d. 8/3-1902
      m. ----1876, Samuel Miller
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4. Kate Gerber

b. ----

Children:

- 1. Amelia Miller
 - b. 10/22-1877
 - m. 3/17-1898, Curtis Deatrick of East Berlin, Adams County, Pennsylvania, a farmer.

Children:

(1) Ruth A. Deatrick b. 4/17-1901

She has not married. She is a teacher in the public schools of Adams County. She is Secretary-Treasurer of the Pennsylvania "Nickey Association".

2. Artie May Miller

b. 10/28-1880

She did not marry. She was a business woman connected with Pomeroy's Store in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania for twenty years. She lived with her sister, Mrs. Curtis Reiber.

- d. 8/6-1936 at her sister's home.
- 3. Robert J. Miller
 - b. 11-13-1883
 - d. 12/30-1905
 - m. 10/12-1904, Dae O. Fohl. Dae (Fohl) Nickey has not married again. She resides with her aged father, Calvin Fohl, now nearly 86, at his home in East Berlin.
- Nancy Viola Miller
 - b. 4/11-1886
 - 1/24-1913, Earl Reiber

Children:

- (1) Claude M. Reiber b. 8/20-1913
- (2) Curtis D. Reiber b. 12/5-1914

Nancy Viola Miller's husband, Earl Reiber, is General Freight Agent of the Reading R. R. They reside in Harrisburg. The two sons, Claude and Curtis, chose a Trade School rather than the standard High School Course of Harrisburg. Claude is a mechanic connected with the Remington Typewriter Company of Harrisburg. Curtis has traveled to the Pacific Coast and back to Denver, Colorado, working as a mechanic with various airplane fields, and at Denver is a mechanic at the Municipal Airport. He says this kind of mechanics is fascinating.

5. Luther D. Miller

b. 12/20-1891

m. 1/24-1918, Helen Sawyer

Children:

- (1) Doris Miller, b. 9/2-1919 (2) Kathleen Miller, b. 1/22-1922 (3) Richard D. Miller, b. 12/?-1924 (4) Robert Miller, b. 12/6-1926 (5) Carl B. Miller, b. 7/7-1931

His family resides in Harrisburg. See the World War Service of Luther D. Miller in the Summary.

vi Amanda

- b. 3/20-1851, Washington Twp., York County, Pennsylvania.
- d. 8/8-1935, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania where she is buried in Paxtung Cemetery.
- m. ----, William Evans, son of William and Mary Anne Evans of Dillsburg, Pennsylvania.

Children:

- 1. Cletus E. Evans
 - b. 4/24-1776, Dillsburg, Pennsylvania.
 - m. --- Mary E. Rose, dau. of William and Elizabeth Rose.

Children:

- (1) Elizabeth A. Evans
 - b. 6/18-1900
 - m. ----, Paul A. Parker

Cletus Evans and his family reside in Harrisburg. He is a R.R. conductor on the Pennsylvania Lines. They belong to St. Mark's Methodist Church, Harrisburg.

- 2. William A. Evans
 - b. 12/20-1877, Dillsburg, Pennsylvania.
 - m. ---- May Sadler, dau. of Joseph and Katherine Sadler.

William A. Evans is an inspector in the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission. He resides at Wormleysburg, Pennsylvania, where he and his wife belong to the St. Paul's United Brethren Church. They have no children.

- 3. Frank J. Evans
 - b. 2/14-1881, Dillsburg, Pennsylvania.
 - m. ----, Cora M. Eckert, dau. of Jacob and Fanny Eckert.

Children:

(1) Frank J. Evans, Jr. b. 4/31-1904

Frank J. Evans resides at Harrisburg where he is Manager of a department in a large mercantile establishment. The family are members of the Messiah Lutheran Church, Harrisburg.

- 4. Edward W. Evans
 - b. 11/23-1886, Dillsburg, Pennsylvania.
 - m. ----, Olive M. Eckert, dau. of John and Elizabeth Eckert.

Children:

- (1) Esther E. Evans
 - b. 5/15-1913
 - m. ____, William Warner Crockett of Wheeling, West Virginia, where he is a sales manager.

The Edward W. Evanses belong to Zion Lutheran Church, Harris-burg.

- 5. Mary E. Evans
 - b. 10/24-1891, Dillsburg, Pennsylvania.
 - m. ____, William L. Spring, son of Charles and Bertha B. Spring. Mr. Spring is an engineer on the Pennsylvania R.R. They reside in Harrisburg and belong to the Methodist Church, attending with the Ridge Avenue Congregation.

- 37 vii David Franklin
 - b. 4/8-1853, Washington Twp., York County
 m. --- , Mary Chronister

viii Elizabeth

- b. 12/11-1854d. in childhoo in childhood. Records are lost. It is probable that both she and her brother Lewis are buried in the Strayer's churchyard near Dover.
- 38 ix Granville S.
 - b. 12/13-1856, Dover Twp., York County m. ----, Susan Kuntz

- 17a JOHN⁴ NICKEY, JR. (John³, John², Georg¹)
- b. ----, Washington Twp., York County, Pennsylvania
 - 12/21-1847, Washington Twp. d.
 - m. No further data except records in Orphans' Court, York, Pennsylvania.

- 17b DANIEL⁴ NICKEY (John³, John², Georg¹)

 b. ----, Washington Twp., York County, Pennsylvania
 - d. 10/21-1846, Washington Twp.
 - m. ----, -----No further data except records in Orphans' Court, York, Pennsylvania.

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Genealogical Table

18 HENRY L.4 NICKEY (John3, John2, Georg1)

b. ---1820, East Berlin, Adams County, Pennsylvania.

d. 1/6-1857, East Berlin. Buried near there in a very old cemetery.

----1847, Elizabeth Deardorff, dau. of Andrew Deardorff of York County, Pennsylvania. She was b. ----1827 in York County. She d. ----1857, one week later than her husband, at East Berlin with the birth of her dau. Katharine.

Children:

i Daniel Edgar 40 b. 2/15-1849

---- Emma Yorty.

41 ii Andrew

b. 4/?-1851

--- , Mary Wisman.

42 iii Franklin Pierce

b. 2/17-1853

---- Mary Alvord.

iv Henry L., Jr. b. 2/7-1855

in his 22nd year in York County, Pennsylvania.

v Katharine (Little Katy)

b. 1/13-1857

in 7th year.

With everything to live for, Henry Nickey passed away in the year 1857. His wife died one week later, and his four orphaned sons and infant dau., born at her mother's death, were scattered among different relatives to be reared as helpless young waifs.

When, on the day after Christmas, 1856, he called a Notary to make his last Will and Testament, it is certain that he realized that he would very soon be obliged to leave his family to their mother, also ill and pregnant with his fifth child. It is plain, from the simple words of his will, that he hoped she would be able to carry on. He was a very sick man -- too sick to think--but his planning shows inherent in him the tender solicitude discernible in the Last Will and Testament of the founder of the Nickey Family, Henry's great grandfather.

He disposed of personal property and of "messuages, lands, tenements, etc." by placing them all in his wife's hands, after just debts and expenses were paid. But she died within the next week, and the estate was thrown into the courts.

Last Will and Testament of Henry

In the name of God, Amen, I, Henry L. Nickey of East Berlin, Adams County and State of Pennsylvania, being sick and weak in body but of sound mind, memory, and understanding, praised be God for it, and considering the certainty of death and uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs whilst I have strength and capacity so to do, do hereby make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner following: that is to say, first and principally, I commend my soul into the hands

of Almighty God and my body to the Earth. And as to such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to entrust me with, I dispose of the same as follows (viz): I will that my personal estate and effects be impartially appraised and after such appraisement made, I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Elizabeth three hundred dollars worth of the same, either property or money, or part property and part money, as she, my said wife, may chose, and then my will is that the residue of my goods, stocks, chattels, merchandise, and households furniture shall be sold in due time and all my just debts as shall be by me owing at my death, together with my funeral expenses and all charges touching the proving of, or otherwise concerning this, my will, shall be paid and satisfied as soon as it can conveniently be done by my Executor, hereinafter mentioned. And then it is my will that all my messuages, lands, tenements, etc. be sold in due time and to the best advantage by my Executor, and then I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Elizabeth the balance of the proceeds of all my property, both personal and real estate, for her own use and maintaining for herself and the raising and educating of my beloved children to be paid to her by my Executor. And I make and ordain my beloved friend George Baker Executor of this, my last Will and Testament. In Witness Whereof I have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand and seal this twenty-sixth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

Signed, Sealed, and Acknowledged by the Testator in the presence of the Subscribers as his last Will and Testament. Joseph Myers Philip Hartman

Henry L. Nickey (SEAL)

ADAMS COUNTY ss

The 26th day of January, A.D., 1857, before me Wm. F. Walter, Register for the probate of Wills and Granting Letters of Administration in and for said County, personally appeared Joseph Myers and Philip Hartman, the subscribing witness to the foregoing Will, and being duly sworn & affirmed according to law did depose and say that they were present and saw & heard Henry L. Nickey, the Testator, sign his name unto & seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the foregoing Will or instrument of writing as and for his Testament & last Will and that at the time of doing thereof, he was of perfect and sound mind, memory, and understanding to the best of their knowledge, observation, and belief, who at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other, signed as witnesses thereunto.

Sworn & affirmed & subscribed before me at Gettysburg the 26th day of January, A.D., 1857 Philip Hartman

Joseph Myers

Wm. F. Walter, Register Per Daniel Plank Dept.

MEMORANDUM

Letters Testamentary were this day granted in due form of law unto George Baker, Executor of the last will and testament of Henry L. Nickey, late of East Berlin and sworn to Administer the said Estate according to law.

WITNESS my this 26th day of January, A.D., 1857

William F. Walter Regt. Per Daniel Plank Dept.

Fourth Generation

DIVISION THREE



Fourth Generation, Third Division Genealogical Table

JOHN⁴ NICKEY (David³, George², Georg¹) b. 4/0 1817, Frankford Twp. Cumberland Co. Penna. d. 8/28-1883, Oakley, Macon Co. Ill. m. 1856, Susannah wolf, of Carlisle, Penna. She was b. 10/12-1815; she d. 2/9-1887, Oakley, Ill.

i David, b. 4/19-1857, in Carlisle, Penna. ii A Twin sister, Catherine Ann; d. ae. 3 mo.

When David was three years old his father and mother removed to Oakley, Macon Co. Ill.

The "Centennial History of Decatur and Macon County, 1829-1929" under the History of Oakley Township says that "John Nickey opened the first hotel in Uakley." His grandson, Harry E. Nickey of Oakley, says his grandfather bought land in Oakley Township, "and here we are, yet."

The original tract of land in Oakley Twp., 40 acres, was inherited by John Nickey's only son, David. The latter added to this until it contains 172 acres. Here David's widow and sons occupy the homestead and farm it, themselves. (See David Nickey, 5 G. D. 3)

John and Susannah (Wolf) Nickey are buried in West Frantz Cemetery, 3 miles west of Cerro Gordo in Piatt County.

WILLIAM NICKEY

William Nickey and David, an older brother, removed from Cumberland Co., Pennsylvania, to Macon Co., Ill. together about 1849; evidently soon after their father David Nickey's death late in 1847. William returned to claim his bride, Catherine Stine; they were united in marriage in March 1851, returning to Macon Co., Ill. as a wedding journey.

His brother David never married. Together the two brothers opened a partnership business and were prosperous. They bought land and engaged in general
farming, the cattle industry, and (some records say) in general merchandising.
Certain it is that they had a big hand in developing Oakley Twp., Macon Co.,
Illinois. David is buried in some friendly burying ground, probably Cerro
Gordo now in the edge of Piatt County. He died September 24, 1893.

William and Catherine (Stine) Nickey were members of the United Brethren Church at Oakley.

One of the Histories of Macon County says that William and David Nickey, along with a young man named John Hiser who was their friend, walked from Carlisle, Pennsylvania to Macon County, Illinois on their adventure into the Public Domain. John Hiser became the grandfather of Melissa Hiser of Macon Co. who was married to Daniel Seitz, the son of Jacob and Barbara Nickey Seitz.q.v.

Fourth Generation, Division Three

Genealogical Table

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wILLIAM4 NICKEY (David3, George2, Georg1)
   b. 10/?-1826, Frankford Twp. Cumberland Co. renna.
   d. 1/31-1908, Oakley, Macon Co. Ill.
   m. 3/5-1851, Catherine Stine. She was b. 2/25-1829. She d. 1/5-1890,
                at Oakley, Ill.
   Children:
        i Silas David, b. 3/11-1852. d. 2/28-1865, Oakley.
       ii Mary Jane.
             b. 2/3-1854, at Oakley, Ill.
             d. 2/3-1935, at Oakley, Ill.
             m. 2/6-1876, John B. marrouff, son of John Harrouff, of Macon Co.
             Children:
                1. William T. Harrouff.
                       b. 11/22-1876, wakley, Ill.
                       m. 9/18-1900, Emma Soran, dau. of John Soran, of Macon
                                     Co. William T. Harrouff is a farmer.
                       Children:
                           (1) Ralph Harrouff.
                                  b. 11/17-1901, Oakley, Ill.
                                  d. 4/26-1928, Oakley, Ill.
                           (2) Pyrle Harrouff.
                                  b. 10/2-1903, Oakley, Ill.
                                  m. 3/6-1928, Walter Bartels, son of John Bartels of Oakley. Walter Bartels is a
                                                farmer. He resides at Latham, Ill.
                                  Children:
(1) Emma Jean Bartels.
2/15-1931. La
                                              b. 2/15-1931, Latham, Ill.
                                       (2)a Joan Bartels.
                                              b. 11/22-1932, Latham, Ill.
                2. Edwin Burl Harrouff.
                       b. 7/7-1880, Oakley, Ill.
                       m. (1) 10/4-1904, Margaret Soran, dau. of John Soran. She
                                          was b. 6/19-1881. She d.3/6-1925,
                                          Decatur, Ill.
                      m. (2) 11/7-1929, Agnes Kite, dau. of P.M. and Victoria
                                          Kite. She was b. 11/7-1891.
                         E. B. Harrouff is a carpenter by trade and resides
                         at Decatur, Illinois.
                3. Floy Harrouff
                       b. 6/13-1887, Oakley, Ill.
                       d. 11/19-1918, Peoria, Ill.
                       m. 4/?-1905, Harry Lichtenberger.
                       Children:
                           (1) Gerald Lichtenberger
                                  b. 1906, Oakley, Ill.
                                                  Violet Chambers.
                                  He has five children. He resides in Chicago, Ill.
                           (2) Donald Lichtenberger
                                  b.
                                                  Peoria, Ill.
                                  He resides in St. Louis, Mo.
                           (3) John Lichtenberger
                                  b.__
                                       Peoria, Ill.
Mary Hamtel.
                                  They reside in St. Louis, Mo.
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- iii Oliver Theodore, b. 12/20-1856. m. Anna C. Mentzer.
 - iv Anna M., b. 1/8-1859; d. 12/10-1879, Oakley.
 - v Emma Alice, b. 12/20-1860; d. 4/1-1873, Oakley.
 - Ella (Catherine Elmira)
 - b. 9/6-1962, Oakley Ill.
 - Peck of Cerro Gordo, Ill. No children.
 - Carrie Florence.
 - b. 9/4-1864.
 - d. 1/23-1929, Decatur, Ill.
 - m. 10/8-1885, Thomas Franklin Wheeler, Oakley, Illinois, son of William and Mrs. Wheeler, of Oakley.

Children:

- Ira mervin wheeler.
 - b. 7/28-1887, Oakley Ill.
 - m. 9/22-1908, Nora Lena Pobst. She was b. 12/1-1889.

Children:

- (1)Mildred Wheeler. b. 6/25-1909.
- Floyd Wheeler, b. 11/16-1912.
 - m. 8/12-1939, Jane Hawkins, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Hawkins, farmers, near Decatur, Ill. She was b. 9/13-1917. Floyd Wheeler is a graduate of Decatur High Schools. He is shipping clerk for Mueller's Mfg. Co. of Decatur, while Jane is a stenographer, employed in the office of this Mfg. Co.
- (3) Ruth Wheeler b. 3/22-1922.

Ira M. Wheeler, the father of this family is a farmer. He enjoyed two years of college education at James Millikin University, Decatur, Ill. His dau. Mildred took three years of High School, but then employed her taste for hand-work by employment as seamstress with the Decatur Coffin Company. His dau. Ruth is finishing her Senior year at a Decatur High School, and has already done 4 years of music study with the piano.

- Elsie Wheeler.
 - b. 10/23-1890.
 - d. 3/15-1937.
 - m. 12/29-1909, Charles Seitz.

Children:

- Lawrence Seitz
- Emmett Seitz
- La Varna Seitz (3)
- (4)
- (4) Loretta Seitz(5) Charles Seitz, Jr.

Charles Seitz is a farmer, near Decatur, Ill.

- Ida Wheeler.
 - b. 6/25-1892, Oakley, Ill.
 - Otto Veech of Decatur, Ill.
 - No children.

- 4. Mina Wheeler
 - b. 7/17-1898
 - m. 10/9-1919, Joseph Roy Chapman, son of Frances Marion and Mary Chapman of Cerro Gordo. Ill.

Children:

- Eileen Chapman, b. 7/11-1921. Eloise Chapman, b. 12/2-1922. (1)
- (2)
- (3) Raymond Chapman, b. 3/25-1925.

Eileen Chapman was graduated from Cerro Gordo High School, 1937. She completed a business course in Barry Castle Business College at Champaign, Ill. At present she is employed at the C. S. Johnston Mfg. Co., Champaign, Ill.

Eloise Chapman is a Senior in the Cerro Gordo

High School.

Raymond Chapman is in the Fifth Grade of the Cerro Gordo Public Schools.

5. Madge Wheeler

b. 9/5-1902 at Oakley, Ill.

m. 2/14-1923, Harry Edgar Bell, of Cerro Gordo, Ill.

Children:

(1) Harold Bell b. 12/28-1925, Decatur, Ill. (2) Harriett Bell

Harry E. Bell and Madge (Wheeler) Bell reside at Decatur, Ill.

viii Ida May

b. 3/26-1868, Oakley, Ill.

m. 5/15-1895 John H. McCoy of Decatur, Ill., where he was born and reared.

Children:

John H. McCoy Jr.

b. 1/2-1908, Decatur.

d. 6/2-1919, Decatur.

In the year 1916 Attorney John H. McCoy was elected County Judge of Macon Co., Ill. This position he retained 24 years. He resigned in November 1939. On November 28, 1939, the Citizens of Decatur and Macon County held a dinner honoring Judge McCoy in the dining-room of the Masonic Temple, 500 guests attending. The main speech of appreciation was given by the President of the Bar Association of Macon County, who said this event was an award to Judge McCoy for "fatherhood to all these in the practice of law." He also spoke of his manner of helping delinquent children, and his work among boys, for years.

A special tribute was paid Mrs. Ida Nickey McCoy, the

Judge's wife, in which a good deal of the Judge's success was attributed to her.

When the speeches of tribute were concluded the Judge rose, slowly, and said, simply:

"I am not a hero. I have never tried to be hero and have never done anything but what I considered my duty as county judge.

"I believe in the milk of human kindness. I believe in men; I believe in women; I believe in children, and I believe if they have a fair chance they will get along together.

"Anybody with horse sense can work out the problems a county judge must work out.

county judge must work out.

"He must nnly have a friendly feeling in his heart, use his good common sense and go ahead."

His pastor, the Rev. T. B. Lugg, of the First Methodist Church said of the retiring jurist that he "has always had time for church and part of his strength lies in that."

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ix William Henry

b. 10/3-1870.

m. Minnie Browning.

SIMON P. NICKEY

The subject of this sketch was the youngest of the family of fourteen children born to David and Mary Ann (Max) Nickey of Frankford Twp. Cumberland Co., Penna., not far from the County Seat, Carlisle. When their father died in 1847, Ann, his sister, and he were minors. Guardians were appointed for them. (See Orphan's Court Records, Book 12 P. 54.) The estate was settled promptly, and the older sons, two of them, struck out for themselves, and went to the Illinois Country. Later, Simon P. Nickey followed them.

He received his education in the private schools of Cumberland County. Feeling the desire for a more thorough education than the common schools afforded, he
went to work at four dollars a month and earned money, with which he paid his tuition
and supported himself for three years in the Plainfield Academy.

During a portion of this time he taught school in the winter season, attended Academy during the summer months. In this way he prepared himself to enter Dickinson College, at Carlisle. He matriculated in Dickinson College in 1853, with the intention of a full four years course and preparation for the ministry.

However, after two years at College, he visited his brothers in Macon Co., Ill... The outlook in Illinois and the west was so promising that he gave up further study at Dickinson College, and began teaching in Macon County. He taught school in the winter of 1855, in Sangamon, and in Newburg 1857-1858. In the spring of 1858 he entered the mercantile business in the village of Oakley. At the same time he was appointed Station Agent for the Great Western Railway Co., at Oakley. This was one of the two trunk-lines which had already crossed Macon County by 1854. He continued in their employ until 1864. He was appointed Postmaster at Oakley in 1859.

In October of 1860 he returned to Pennsylvania and to Virginia, to marry a college girl friend, Polly McCoy of Greenbrier County, in the Alleghenies, now a county of West Virginia.

Then, settling permanently in Macon County he was yet more active in its civic life. He farmed, but he taught school, in all, eleven winters. In 1873

he was chosen County Superintendent of Public Schools, and served in this effice three terms, or until 1877.

His only son, John McCoy Nickey, when still a young man, emulating his father, went to Rathdrum, Idaho, and his descendants now live in that State and Washington.

Politically, Simon P. Nickey was a Democrat. He cast his first vote, in 1856, for James Buchanan. He was a respected member of the Ancient and Honorable Order of Freemasons, and belonged to Cerro Gordo Lodge No. 600 of Piatt Co., Illinois.

A portrait of Simon P. Nickey is found in the "Centennial History of Decatur and Macon County, 1829-1929."

The three brothers, David Nickey, William Nickey and the younger, Simon P.

Nickey were active in the pioneer stages of Macon County. This was set up in 1829, and rapidly filled with pioneer land-seekers from Pennsylvania and other Atlantic Seaboard States, owing to the crushing depression of 1837. The Okaw Settlement (often mentioned in Division Three of the Nickey History) was there before 1832, on a source of the present Kaskaskia River. It was the second election district to be set up in Macon County, the county seat, Decatur, being the first. The County was governed by a "County Court" until 1859 when the election districts were termed "Townships" and a "Board of Supervisors" succeeded the "County Court." In the year 1854 two Railroads had already completed lines through Decatur, and the young enterprising Easterner, Simon P. Nickey, was made station agent on one of them, "The Great Western" in 1858. Indeed he arrived at a very opportune time, when his talent for leadership was given a place in the life of the County.

Fourth Generation, Division Three

Genealogical Table

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SIMON PETER<sup>4</sup> NICKEY (David<sup>3</sup>, George<sup>2</sup>, Georg<sup>1</sup>)

b. 11/17-1832, Frankford Twp. Cumberland County, Penna.
d. 5/17-1914, Oakley, Macon County, Illinois.
m. 10/9-1860, Mary (Polly) McCoy, of Greenbrier Co. Virginia. (now W. Va.)

Children:
45 i John McCoy
b. 1863, Oakley, Macon County, Illinois.
m. 1885, Minnie Rhea, of Urbana, Ohio.
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John McCoy Nickey removed to Rathdrum, Idaho, about 1892, where he resides in excellent health today.

Fourth Generation, Division Three

Genealogical Table

JACOB⁴ NICKEY (George³, George², Georg¹)

b. 1822, Frankford Twp., Cumberland Co. Penna.
d.7/30-1886, Frankford Twp., Cumberland Co.

m. Hettie Miller, sister of Rev. John K. Miller, who was pastor of the ancient stone church of the Brethren, at

m. Hettie Miller, sister of Rev. John K. Miller, who was pastor of the ancient stone church of the Brethren, at Sterrett's Gap, in the Blue Ridge Mountains, edge of Cumberland County. In the churchyard, here, are buried Jacob and Hettie, Benjamin F. and Catherine, and their father, George Nickey III.

* He died intestate. Andrew Ensminger was appointed to settle his estate who gave bond \$2000.00. Jacob probably owned land in Frankford Twp. His personal property and household goods inventoried \$1102.09. Mrs. Mary Nickey Little of Westminster, Md., dau. of David (19) says Jacob had a daughter Lizzie who m. a Krider. They resided at Huntsdale, in West Pemsboro Twp. Cumberland County, Penna. Jacob Nickey was her uncle, and Lizzie Nickey Krider her cousin.

^{*} See the Register's Index of Estates, Cumberland Co., Penna.

Fourth Generation

Genealogical Table

23 DAVID4 NICKEY (George³, George², Georg¹)

b. 12/16-1824, Cumberland Co., Penna.
 d. 6/23-1904, Westminster, Md. (Carroll Co.)

m. 8/26-1849, Catherine Hoff, in Dauphin Co., Penna. She d. 3/4-1901, Westminster, Md.

* Children:

i Elizabeth, b. 8/?-1850. d. 8/30-1851, Dauphin Co., Penna. ii Sarah

b. 5/?-1853.

d. 5/4-1926.

m. 12/24- Josiah Engelman.

Children:

1. Mary Engelman

2. Julia Engelman, dec'd

3. Celia Engelman

4. Marthie Engelman, dec'd

5 Samuel Engelman

6. David Engelman

iii Samuel Hoff, b. 1/15-1855. m. Mary Utz. (See next gen.) 46 iv Daniel, b. ______ -1857. d. 3/2-1864.

v Mary Catherine

b. 10/23-1872.

m. (1) 1/21-1900 William H. Watson. He d. 12/20-1923, Westminster, Md.

Children: (These are step-children)

1. David D. Watson, b. 12/7-1890. He m. Amelia

He is a general laborer.

2. Agnes A. Watson, b. 3/6-1892. She m. 10/23-1907, Eland Mummaugh. He was a Railroad worker. He was killed in the Round-house at Baltimore. Mrs. Mummaugh resides at Uniontown, Md.

m. (2) Harry A. Little, 8/26-1926. They reside at Winchester Place, on East Green, Westminster, Md. which is the county seat of Carroll Co., and is just 40 mi. from Washington D. C. They are members of the Church of the Brethren. Mr. Little is a carpenter by trade.

David Nickey (19) was a farmer. "He was living in Dauphin County when he married Catherine Hoff in 1849", says his daughter, Mary Catherine Nickey Little. "Then they went to farming in the neighborhood of Carlisle. I can't tell on whose farm. It was from there he moved to Frederick Co., Md., in 1860, and farmed for Joshua Wood. Then he moved to Carroll Co." Again she writes "I have no photo of any of my family. My father never would let any of us have our photos taken. He was one of the old-time Dunkards,

^{*} See the Register's Index of Estates, Cumberland County, Penna.

very strict with his children." She adds, "I wish I could talk with you. I could do better. You said my house looked roomy. I only have 14 rooms. All were furnished when I kept boarders. Now that my health is not so good I use only the first floor." Mary C. Nickey Little is a handsome woman at 67, and perfect Nickey type of face and figure.

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BENJAMIN FRANKLIN4 NICKEY (George's, George2, Georg1)

b. 9/28-1828, Frankford Twp., Cumberland Co., Penna.

d. 4/18-1889, N. Middleton Twp., Cumberland Co., Penna. m. 1/20-1853, Catherine Wert. She was b. 3/27-1831. She d.

Children:

i Amos J., b. 11/11-1853. m. Mary Heckman.
ii Catherine Samole, b. 11/13-1856. She d. 7/3-1936 at Prairie City,

Iowa. She m. the Rev. William Buckingham, an ordained

minister of the German Baptist Brethren.

Children:

1. Benjamin Franklin Buckingham.

b. 5/20-1887, La Place, Illinois.

m. 9/4-1910, Flossie M. Brubaker, dau. of Rev. I. W.

and Rebecca Flora Brubaker. He is an

ordained minister, church of the Brethren,

and pastor at Prairie City, Iowa.

Children:

(1) Kenneth O. Buckingham. b. 9/10-1912, Prairie City, Iowa.

m. 11/4-1938, Anna Taylor.

He spent two years at college, Mt. Morris,

Ill. He is an automobile mechanic. Resides

at Prairie City, Iowa.

(2) Ralph B. Buckingham.
b. 3/5-1914, Prairie City, Iowa. He is not
Married. He had one year of college at
McPherson, Kan. He is a farmer at Prairie
City.

(3) Florence L. Buckingham. b. 11/6-1916, Prairie City, Ia.

m. 5/22-1938, Kenneth Cabbage of Prairie City.

She had High School and Normal School.

She taught in public schools 3 years.

Now farmers, Prairie City.

Children: (1)a Lynn D. Cabbage, b. 6/24-1939.

- (4) Ida Mae Buckingham.
 b. 5/25-1919, Prairie City, Ia. She is a student in the college at McPherson, Kan.
- (5) Orville W. Buckingham
 b. 8/22-1923, Prairie City. He is a High School student.
- 2. Mamie Buckingham.

b. 3/13-1889, La Place, Illinois.
m. 9/22-1910, Earl M. Brubaker, son of Rev. I. W. and
Rebecca Flora Brubaker, of Prairie City,
Iowa. He is a distributor of farm machinery for Allis Chalmers Co.

Children:

- (1) Price Norman Brubaker
 b. 1/22-1913, Monroe, Ia.
 m. 8/12-1936, Bernice Cabbage.
 He is also Farm Implement dealer for
 allis Chalmers Co.
- (2) Carl Raymond Brubaker.
 b. 11/13-1914, Prairie City. Not married.
 In Farm Implement and Machinery business.
- (3) Leo Lester Brubaker.

 b. 8/30-1916, rrairie City, Ia.

 m. 4/29-1938, Norma Vroom.

 He is a salesman of farm implements, also.
- (4) Opal Hester Brubaker. b. 1/24-1920, Prairie, City, Ia.
- (5) Merlin Dale Brubaker. b. 9/10-1921, Prairie City, Ia.
- (6) Doyle Earl Brubaker. b. 5/26-1923, Prairie City, Ia.
- (7) Marvin Wayne Brubaker. b. 11/15-1934, Prairie City, Ia.
- 3. William Irvin Buckingham.
 - b. 5/23-1892, Macon Co. Illinois.
 - m. 2/4-1914, Dean Webb, dau. of E. C. and Sarah Webb.

 He resides with his son, W. Irvin Buckingham,

 Jr. on his farm near Prairie City, Iowa.

Children:

- (1) Edna Evelyn Buckingham. b. 4/15-1915, Jasper Co. Iowa.
- (2) Warren Edward Buckingham. b. 7/30-1916, Jasper Co. Iowa.
- (3) Alta Marie Buckingham. b. 10/3-1917, d.y.
- (4) David Clinton Buckingham. b. 8/16-1922, Phillips Co. Colorado.
- (5) William Irvin Buckingham, Jr. b. 6/4-1924, Jasper Co. Iowa. Resides near Prairie City, Iowa.
- (6) Samuel Zane Buckingham. b. 10/12-1925, Polk Co. Iowa.
- (7) Betty Jo Buckingham. b. 8/6-1927, Jasper Co. Iowa.
- (8) Sarah Catherine Buckingham. b. 9/1-1934, Logan Co. Colorado.

- 48 iii John H., b. 9/2-1858. m. Alma Gates.
- 49 iv Moses A., b. 3/16-1860. m. (1) Nannie Garrett. (2) Emma Hendrix.

 v Maria F., b. 5/21-1864. She m. W. Adom. d. 3/17-1927. No children.
- vi Samuel George, b. 3/22-1866. m. (1) Annie E. Arnold.
 vii Sarah Marthie, 3/2-1872. She m. John Heckman. She d. 10/16-1910.
 viii Benjamin A., b. 12/20-1874. d. 4/18-1889. He did not marry.
 ix Anna J., b. 2/16-1876. d. 7/15-1887.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN NICKEY of Carlisle, Penna.

Benjamin F. Nickey was born in Frankford Twp. Cumberland Co., Penna., and grew up there. When he was 24 he married Catherine Wert and continued to live in Frankford Twp. About three years later, when his oldest son, Amos J. was just two years old, Benjamin F. Nickey had a chance to buy a tract of land in N. Middleton Twp. of the heirs of Martin West. This lay 4 miles north of Carlilse. On the 12th of December, 1855, the deed for this land was made to him. Here he lived then, the remainder of a useful life, and with his wife, was buried beside the little stone church at Sterrett's Gap, not so far north of his farm.

His son, Samuel George, tells that in his young days, Benjamin F. Nickey made a trip to Indiana which was "out west" then, a century ago. He (Samuel George) remembers hearing his father say that, in Indiana, he contacted relatives of the Nickey Family, and that he had had a chance to go into business while in Indiana with one of his relatives.

In North Middleton Twp. Benjamin F. Nickey was ordained to the ministry of the German Baptist Church. The date of his ordination was 5/26-1871. He was 33. Six of his children were then born. Amos J. was a youth of 18, and already, probably, teaching school in the neighborhood. Samuel George was a boy of 5. The new role of their father must have been impressive. In fact, both these sons, later, entered the ministry of this Church, and have given long service.

Fifth Generation

DIVISION ONE



Fifth Generation

WILLIAM ALLISON NICKEY (1851-1920)

The first eighteen years of William A. Nickey's life were quite normal, filled with school and play and children's chores about a farm. In the Spring of 1869 his father was planning a vacation trip on the steam-cars to the relatives in northern Indiana. But in September death struck down his only sister, now Mrs. John F. McAdams. Then his father, David fell ill in the early winter, and departed this life in April, 1870. William, thereupon, laid by youth and stepped into manhood. He acted as his mother's business agent. They ceased operating the farm, gradually. They took residence in the town of Irving, Ill., in Montgomery County. When William was of age he chose as the companion and friend of his life, a wife, a woman of Irving, Mary Frances Bartlett. The marriage was celebrated March 16, 1871, according to the Presbyterian ritual one may no doubt.

The William A. Nickeys engaged in the merchandise of groceries and food stuffs, and were prosperous. They remained citizens of Irving until the death of his mother, Jane Balsley Nickey, December 12, 1884. After they had laid her to rest beside her husband in the church yard at Nokomis, they themselves made a new home in Springfield, the Capital. There they reared their family of twelve children and there they became a real part of the community of this enterprising young city. There their children married, and reside today. Their children, grandchildren, and even great grandchildren, particularly noted as happy and congenial in their family relationships. After nearly fifty years of residence in Lincoln's home town, William Allison, and Mary Frances, his wife, died and were buried there, she April 25, 1920, he September 21, 1920.

William Allison Nickey remained in business, and his children have followed in this trend, after completing High School. In later life, William Allison devoted much time to evangelistic work, a natural outlet for his religious feeling and his practical experience in life.

Genealogical Tables

- WILLIAM ALLISON⁵ NICKEY, (David⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹) b. 4/3-1851, Ross Co., Ohio. 27

 - d. 9/21-1920, Springfield, Ill. m. 3/16-1871, Irving, Ill. Mary Frances Bartlett, of Irving, Ill.
 - d. 4/25-1920.

Children:

- i Lillian Frances
 - b. 7/30-1873.
 - m. 6/16-1897, Oscar W. Reazer. They are well-known residents of Springfield, Illinois. He is a railroad man, long service, now retired. She is interested in civic affairs but has de-voted herself to the family. They are communicants of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Children:

- 1. Erma Reazer
 - b. 4/4-1899.
 - m. (1) 9/27-1919, Charles Lynch. He is now deceased.
 - m. (2) 7/2-1939, Ray Connor of Springfield, Ill.

Children:

- Helen Lynch, 1921, Springfield, Ill. (1)
- Chester C. Reazer
 - b. 5/25-1903.
 - m. 2/29-1928, Marlo Redpath of Chicago. They reside in Chicago.

Children:

- (1) Marlo Charmaine Reazer
- b. 12/16-1929. Coral Joan Reazer b. 11/13-1930.
- 3. George R. Reazer b. 7/31-1905.

 - m. 5/5-1937, Emma Freeman of Springfield, Ill. They reside in Springfield.
- Robert G. Reazer
 - b. 8/8-1910.
 - m. 12/9-1933, Louise DeRoss of Springfield, Ill., where they reside.

Children:

- (1) Robert G. Reazer Jr. b. 7/29-1938.
- 5. William J. Reazer
 - b. 4/18-1914. He is not married. He resides in Springfield, Ill., where he is a business executive.
- ii Harry Walter 51
 - b. 1/29-1875.
 - m. 7/30-1901, Grace Duff.

iii Margaret Jane

b. 12/2-1876. m. 9/14-1897, Oscar A. Becker of Springfield, Ill. He was in the insurance business in Sangamon County. He was clerk of Sngamon Co., 1929-1932. He is Assistant Co. Treasurer, 1932 -- having served through two administrations and now in third term. He is a Mason, Chapter, Council, Shrine, Knights Templar, Consistory, and Jesters. He is also an Odd Fellow.

Margaret Jane is a club woman and active in civic and political affairs. Her clubs are: General Federation of Women's Clubs; Art Association of Springfield; Young Women's Christian Association; Order of Eastern Star; Red Cross; Business and Professional Women's Club, serving on the Springfield Board 12 years; Community Concert Assin., and Amateur Musical Club of Springfield. She was in the Volunteer ked Cross Work during the World War, and Captain of the Canteen Service; she is a charter member American Legion Auxilliary, Sangamon Post #32. She is treasurer of the Woman's Republican Club of Sangamon Co., and associated with the National Republican Organization; she was 12 years chairman of the Woman's Division Sangamon County Republican Central Committee; 4 years Chairman Woman's Division 21st Congressional District.

Children:

Clarence Oscar Becker

b. 6/4-1899.

m. (1) 6/4-1925, Helen Faye Hemmick. Divorced.

m. (2) 7/19-1935, Vivien Rudolph Radcliff. Keside in Springfield, Ill. War Record: World War service 3/28-1917 to 5/30-1919, 13 months overseas. Discharged at Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill., 5/30-1919. Quartermaster Sargeant 1st Grade, ae. 20, of the Head-quarters Division of the 33rd Division.

Children:

(1) Richard Thayer Becker b. 11/29-1928.

iv Gertrude

b. 1/1-1879.

m. (1) 3/16-1897, Edwin Crary Ives. He d. 12/1-1904. M. (2) 12/23-1909, Harry Watson of Springfield where they reside. As a Mason he is Chapter, Council, Shriner, Knights Templar, Jester. She is member Red Cross, Womens General Federation of Clubs; Womens Republican Club of Sangamon Co.; and especially active in the Springfield Art Association where she has been a member of the Board 30 years and a membership Chairman 20 years. They are Methodists.

v Charles Williams 52

b. 11/4-1880

m. 12/25-1915, Ethel Colvin.

vi Lucy Adele

b. 7/18-1882. m. 4/16-1901, Percy McKee of Springfield, where they have resided, he the owner of a plumbing business.

She has identified herself with general community service, and has been active politically for better government. She is active in the 5th Presbyterian Church where she has been a Deaconess the past 14 years. She is A Guardian in Camp Fire Girls, and organized the Philathia Girls' Club.

Children:

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Helen Millicent McKee b. 11/19-1902. m. 9/3-1921, William E. Martin of Springfield, Ill. They reside in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Children:

- (1) William Thomas Martin b. 2/16-1926.
- Dorothy Mae McKee 2. b. 4/19-1906. m. 9/20-1924, D. Thomas Finn of Springfield where they reside.

Children:

- (1) Norma Jane Finn b. 12/28-1925.
- Marian Frances Finn b. 5/28-1927.
- (3)James Thomas Finn b. 12/3-1929.

vii Edna Blanche

b. 11/1-1884. d. 12/26-1884, ae. 8 weeks.

53 viii Ernest

b. 12/20-1885.

m. Beulah Louiseau.

ix Florence Anna

b. 7/4-1888.

m. 8/3-1912, Emerson Bishop of Springfield where they reside. She is active in Club life and civic affairs of Sangamon County. She is Chairman of the Trust Office of Springfield Women's Club; she belongs to the Springfield Art Association and the Ceramics and Crafts Club. She is President "Kings Daughter's Circle" and belongs to the Amateur Music Club and the Springfield Garden Association. She is a member Red Cross, and Y. W. C. A. She is member Women's Republican Club.

Her husband. Emerson Bishop, is the senior member of the firm Bishop and Estes, Public Accountants. He is member of the Optimist Club and as Mason is Chapter, Council, Shrine, Consistory, Commandery.

Chester Arthur

b. 2/7-1890.

d. 4/19-1891, ae. 1 yr., 2 mo., 12 da.

xi Mary Evaline

b. 11/21-1892.

d. 7/27-1893, ae. 8 mo., 6 da.

xii Edythe

b. 11/7-1896.
m. 3/6-1917, R. Fritts Reynolds of Springfield. He d. 9/7-1935.

Children:

1. Mary Jane Reynolds b. 1/12-1920.

She is a student in the University of Illinois.

She is member social sorority Pi Beta Phi.

2. Doris Elizabeth Reynolds b. 10/16-1923.

She is a senior in Springfield High School.

Edythe (Nickey) Reynolds, widow, was active in P. T. A. while her daughters were in Public Schools. She is a member of the Springfield Art Association, and the Women's Club.

Fifth Generation, Division One

Genealogical Table

28 DAVID WESLEY⁶ NICKEY (Samuel⁴II. Samuel³I. David². Georg¹)

Land owner, farmer, live-stock dealer, Smith Twp., Whitley Co., Ind. b. 7/6-1837

d. 6/15-1897 at his farm-home, Smith Twp.

m. 1/4-1860, Alcinda, dau. of John and Rheua (Conner) Mossman, farmers, of Whitley County.

b. 3/26-1840 in Ohio.

_1929 at her residence in Columbia City, Ind., where she had retired, when a widow. He was active in the Republican party, and in the Methodist Episcopal Church. His place was one of the finest farm homes in Whitley County.

Children:

i Rheua Elizabeth

b. 1/23-1863, Smith Twp.

d. 1/31-1906 at Denver, Colorado.

m. 5/25-1884 to Dr. George C. Stemen, of Fort Wayne, Indiana. She was graduated from the M. E. College at Fort Wayne, very high honors. She is buried in Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, Colorado. She was a communicant of the M. E. Church, and, in Denver, of the Central Presbyterian Church.

Children:

1. Ruth Elizabeth Stemen.

b. 7/5-1888, Kansas City, Mo.

m. 8/20-1912, Denver, Colorado, to Alonzo Wright Hogan, son of John Samuel Hogan of Olathe, Colorado and Sedalia, Kan. They reside at Gunnison, Colorado. Ruth Elizabeth (Stemen) Hogan is a graduate of Colorado State Teacher's College. She is a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church, a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma; D.A.R.; A.A.U.W.

Children:

Rheua Susan Hogan, b. 7/19-1915, Gunnison, Colorado. (1)Western State College, A.B.; University of West Virginia, B.Mus.; One year at Eastman School of Music. Mem. Delta Omicron, Mus. Sorority; Quill & Scroll; Kappa Delta Pi; Sigma Sigma Sigma.

- David Leng Hogan, b. 3/6-1916. d. 3/8-1916. Alonzo William Hogan, B. 1/29-1925. Graduated from 8th grade, Gunnison, Colo., 1938.
- David Christian Stemen

b. 3/25-1892; Fort Wayne, Indiana d. 7/30-1927, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

m. (1) 1915, Eliese Painter, of Telluride, Colorado.

No children. Divorced, 1924, while in France.
(2) 3/25-1925 Mlle. Riene Madeliene Gayet, in Paris. She was b. Rhiems, France, 3/22-1899; she was a Franch nurse in the World War. She d. 3/5-1930, in Paris, France, where she had returned after her husband's death. No children.

DAVID CHRISTIAN STEMEN

(Mrs. Alonzo Wright Hogan has given the following sketch of her brother)

He was named David for his grandfather David Wesley Nickey of Churusbusco, Indiana; Christian for his grandfather Dr. Christian Berry Stemen of Fort Wayne, Indiana. When he was six years old his parents, Dr. and Mrs. George Christian Stemen, moved to Denver where he grew to manhood. He was a graduate of East Denver High School, and the University of Colorado Law School, where he was a member of the S.A.E. Fraternity and the legal Fraternity, Phi Delta Phi. He passed with a very high grade his Bar examination. He then became associated with Carl J. Sigfrid, lawyer of Telluride and Ouray, Colorado, and in a few months was elected City Attorney of Telluride.

While in this town he married Miss Eliese Painter, in 1915, and from here he also enlisted in the World War. In due course of time, he sailed for overseas, but was ordered to attend the fmous Old French Cavalry School, built in 1728, the largest and best in the world, but taken over by the United States as an American School. From here he graduated as Lieutenant, and was ordered to Verdun where he was assigned to the 26th Division, Mass. National Guards, the first Division in France, coming in August, 1917. It is the crack division, having fought on every front in France.

From his letters to me I quote:

"Here I received my baptism of fire in the hardest battle of the entire war. The French say a man is not a soldier until he has fought in Verdun, so I guess I am a soldier, even if I only saw eleven days of fighting, which was enough, and I'm glad it is over," his letter reads.

"Men and officers say the shelling we received while I was with them was twice as bad as any place they had ever been, including Chateau Thiery and St. Mihiel. On the 11th of November we fired a barage from 8:30 to 10:59, and I was in charge at the guns, and believe me we warmed things up, and at 10:58 three men were killed. Two minutes more and they would have been safe. Too bad, wasn't it?"

After the Armistice he was ordered to the Claims Department to investigate claims for damages put in by the French to persons or property by American automobiles, and in time was honorably discharged. (Do not have exact dates.)

In the winter of 1918-19 the American Legion was organized in Paris, and he has the honor of being one of twelve charter members.

During the years of his sojourn in France, which numbered eight, after the close of the war, he was a member of the law firm of Thomas and Stemen of Paris, but due to failing health had to leave there in 1925. He had contracted tuberculosis in the trenches and could not throw it off.

June, 1925, he and his little French bride sailed for the United States of America, spent some time in Denver, and in October, 1926, moved to Gunnison, where he was Secretary for a few months for the Gunnison County Credit Association. Later he became associated with the law firm of Clifford H. Stone. Health would not permit his working longer, and in May, 1927, he and his wife moved to Colorado Springs, where he died July 20th. He was buried with military honors beside his mother at Fairmont, Denver, Colorado, August 1, 1927, Colorado Day.

Commissioned with 101st. Field Artillery, 26th. Division, Battery E, Mass. National Guards. Member of Disabled World Veterans.

55 ii Alfred J. b. 8/8-1865, Churubusco, Ind.; m. Mildred Allen

29 ADDISON BOYD NICKEY, OF MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

(An extract from AMERICAN LUMBERMAN of January 22, 1910)

Addison Boyd Nickey, of Memphis, Tenn. is a man now 65 years of age, as active and enthusiastic in his business and social life as he was at 25. Reflecting his every day commercial activity, he is as ready for a tramp through the woods, to load a car of lumber, to ride horseback over his timber lands, or to cruise timber, as is any young man in the country.

Mr. Nickey's home has always been in northern Indiana until 1908, when he built a beautiful home in Memphis, Tenn., and brought his family to the Southland. He was born in Whitley county, near Ft. Wayne, Ind., August 22, 1844, the son of Samuel Nickey, sr., and Elizabeth (Gradless) Nickey. His father was a Virginian, but moved to Ohio in 1832; later he married and moved to Whitley county, Indiana, and in 1834 he took up eighty acres of farm land where the subject of this sketch was born.

Addison B. Nickey is entirely a self made man. Having been born on a farm he soon became an adept farmer and stock raiser. He has always been very successful in the handling of cattle, hogs, and sheep. For many years his was a familiar figure riding and driving over the various counties in northern Indiana. In the buying and selling of live stock he was noted for the great number of his shipments to the live stock markets of the East, as well as for the many prize herds on his own stock farm.

Mr. Nickey will long be remembered by the live stock dealers in Buffalo, where he nearly always attended in person the sales of his cattle. At one time, after an illness, Mr. Nickey went to the table lands of New Mexico, where he engaged extensively in the handling of western cattle, but immediately upon regaining his health he hastened backto his comfortable home in Indiana.

While living on the farm and carrying on his extensive cattle business Mr. Nickey operated a number of small mills, beginning about 1874, and within a few years he controlled almost twenty mills, which were getting out lumber for him at various locations throughout northern Indiana, which section at that period

furnished the finest poplar, walnut and oak in the country.

Mr. Nickey was among the first sawmill operators in this country to use the band saw for the quartering of lumber -- that invention which within the last few decades has come near to revolutionizing the manufacture of lumber. Not only was he among the first manufacturers to avail themselves of this invention but he has kept pace with all the modern improvements in the lumber business from that time to this.

In the '90s of the last century Mr. Nickey and his sons erected a large band mill at Auburn, Ind., and about 1896, having sawn out the cream of the timber in the northern counties, moved to Princeton, Ind., with their mills, where their business assumed still greater proportions. The business was conducted under the name of A. B. Nickey & Sons. The Nickey interests are still operating at Princeton a mill under the management of Chris Meyers, a lumberman of ability, who has grown up in business with the Nickeys.

One of the large mills of the Nickeys was located at Huntingburg, Dubois county, Ind. This institution was made a great success through the able, untiring managerial efforts of William E. Nickey, the younger son.

In 1905 Mr. Nickey and his sons, Samuel M. and William E. Nickey, organized at Memphis, Tenn., the Green River Lumber Company, this being the first incorporated company operated by them. Since that time the several Nickey families have moved to Memphis, where, as actual residents of Tennessee, they are all now comfortably located.

As a further testimonial to the effective capacity of these gentlemen, their zeal and their thorough mastery of the lumber industry, it may be said that they are now operating some of the largest and best managed mills in the country. A. B. Nickey is serving, not nominally but actively, in all the controlling companies. He is president of the Green River Lumber Company, with mills at Memphis; president of A. B. Nickey & Sons, with mills at Princeton, Ind.; president of A. B. Nickey & Sons, Incorporated, operating mills at Memphis; president of the Nickey-Dickson Lumber Company, with mills at Gallaway, Tenn., and president of the Capilano Timber Company, Limited, located at Vancouver. B. C.

A few years ago Mr. Nickey sold his beautiful, rich farm and country home in northern Indiana and is devoting himself with great pleasure to his accumulation of standing timber in Tennessee and Mississippi. The Nickeys have in hardwood timber lands nearly 20,000 acres, within easy reach of Memphis, Tenn. They have also several thousand acres of fir and cedar timber lands in Oregon, on the Columbia river. Mr. Nickey is also interested in various parts of British Columbia, where he and his sons have large timber holdings.

A. B. Nickey gives most of his time to the Green River Lumber Company, in which institution he takes a great deal of pride. The other officers of this company are William E. Nickey, vice president; Samuel M. Nickey, secretary, and E. L. McLallen, treasurer. The company's mill is not the largest one in Memphis but it is considered to be one of the steadiest and best managed. The specialty of this mill is quarter sawed oak. The timber and the timber lands are being sought principally in the hill country of Tennessee and Mississippi, which produces some of the best figured lumber in red and white oak. The plant of this mill embraces about fifteen acres in North Memphis, opposite the driving park, and is well worth a visit by anyone interested in the hardwood business. In this one yard alone is usually to be found from 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 feet of lumber, principally oak, white and red, quarter sawed, of the company's own manufacture.

Notwithstanding his advanced years, Mr. Nickey keeps personally in touch with all conditions in the woods, where the Green River Lumber Company is operating a tram logging road. In that section of country this department is one that usually contributes a great deal of grief to the modern logger and sawmill man.

Mr. Nickey is a thirty-second degree Mason, a Knight Templar and a Shriner. He has membership in no clubs. He spends his vacations always at his cottage on Walloon lake, Michigan, near Petoskey, where he always distinguishes himself as an angler for black bass, pike, perch and muscalonge, angling being about the only recreation in which he indulges himself.

In church affiliation, by birthright, Mr. Nickey was a Methodist, but he is now identified with the Presbyterian church. In political faith he is a republican. He has never aspired to public office. Mr. Nickey, as well as each individual member of his family, has traveled extensively. He is a thorough believer in

travel as a means of education, not only commercially but intellectually and socially as well.

Fifth Generation, Division One

Genealogical Tables

29. ADDISON BOYD⁵ NICKEY (Samuel II⁴, Samuel I³, David², Georg¹)

Land owner, farmer, live-stock dealer, lumber manufacturer, of Fort Wayne,

Indiana, and Memphis, Tennessee.

b. 8/22-1844, Whitley Co., Ind.
d. 7/29-1917, Memphis, Tennessee.
m. 11/13-1867, Orpha L. Mossman, dau. of Francis and Rheua (Connor) Mossman, of Whitley Co., farmers.

b. 5/6-1849.

d. 7/6-1934, at Los Angeles, where she resided after her husband's death; buried at Memphis.

Children:

Samuel Mossman, b. 7/9-1868. 56 i

m. (1) Grace Darling Metsker, Churubusco, Ind.

ii Maximillia

b. 6/4-1873.

d. 6/11-1908, Columbia City, Ind.

m. 1/11-1892, Elisha Lyman McLallen II, son of Henry and Catherine (Clugston) McLallen, of Columbia City, Ind.

Children:

E. Lyman McLallen III 1.

b. 4/15-1895, Columbia City, Ind. He attended Wabash College, and followed that by a course in the Wharton School of Commerce, University of Pennsylvania. He m. Sue de Graffenreid, of Memphis, Tenn. He is in the Overseas Veneer Company of Memphis, Tenn.

Children:

(1)E. Lyman McLallen IV

b. 1/15-1921, Memphis Tenn. He was graduated in June, 1939, with signal honors from St. John's Military Academy in Delafield, Wis.

He was presented with the Delafield Medal--which is given to the most worthy cadet of the year -- the highest honor awarded by the Academy. He also received Order and Merit Medal for efficiency as cadet officer, and the Kemper-Dekoven Crew Medal.

Young McLallen was Lieutenant of Gompany B; Captain and Stroke of the Crew; Editor-and-Chief of Cadet Review; and officer in Officers' Club; served on yearly staff, and was a member of Acolyte Guild. He won his letter in football as well as his letter in crew. In addition to these activities he was a member of the dramatic club and hockey team.

This enterprising student is now at the University of Washington at Seattle.





- 2. Frances McLallen
 b. 12/30-1898, Columbia City. She attended Smith
 College. She is a professional photographer. She
 resides at Tucson. Arizona.
- 3. Margaret Alice McLallen
 b. 3/7-1900, Columbia City, Indiana.

Margaret McLallen is a persistent scout in the field of genealogy. She has contributed to the data in this book, by furnishing the clew that led to the Nickeys in Macon County, Illinois, the Nickeys in Santa Ana, and fresh contact with the Rice family and the Knight family at Los Angeles.

Margaret is a devotee of the exclusive, and the less exclusive hereditary patriotic societies. She is a life member of the Knights of the Garter and of the Dames of Magna Charta. She was California Delegate of these groups to the Coronation of King Edward VIII in Westminister Abbey. After attending this she spent a year in travel abroad and in the United States.

She also is a member of D.A.R.; Daughters of the Colonists; Daughters of 1812; Society of New England Women; and Daughters of the Civil War Union. She made her nephew, E.L.McLallen IV (q.v.) a life member of S.A.R.

She is a member of I.A.G. and is working on the "Hopkins" line which will give her Mayflower Society membership.

- William Henry McLallen
 b. 1/3-1903, Columbia City, Indiana.
 m. Bess Hagar, of Vancouver, B.C. Resides at Vancouver.
- John Addison McLallen
 8/17-1905, Columbia City, Indiana.
 m. Lydamae Davis of Seattle. Resides at Los Angeles.

Children:

(1) Marilyn McLallen.(2) Sharon McLallen.

William H. and John A. McLallen are in the shingle business. Both are graduates of Culver Military Academy of Indiana.

- 57 iii William Ellsworth
 b. 1875, Allen Co., Ind.
 m. Nelle McMahon of Huntingberg, Ind.
 - iv Alice E.
 b. 1/28-1882.
 m. Adair Sanders.

Children:

1. Kathleen Adair Sanders.
b. 5/7-1921.
Student in University of Texas, at Austin.

Fifth Generation

Genealogical Table

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JOHN DAVID<sup>5</sup> NICKEY (Christian<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, David<sup>2</sup>, Georg<sup>1</sup>)

b. 3/27-1831, Sherando, Augusta Co., Va.
         ---- Browersville, Minnesota
    d.
        4/?-1853, Barbara Sipe of Randolph Co., Indiana
    m.
    Children:
       i Christian David
58
         b. 12/3-1855
             ---- Mary Catherine Shull of Todd Co., Minnesota
      ii Isabella Magdalen

b. 3/8-1857, Randolph Co., Indiana
m. 1/14-1877, Isaac Siltman. They moved to Jamestown, North Dakota.

         Children:
           1. William Siltman
                b. --- He is a mechanic with the Case Company at Bismarck, N.D.
            2. Eldred Siltman
                b. ---- He enlisted in the World War and died in France.
               Isabella died when her sons were young. Her husband remarried. He is
         Mayor of Jamestown, North Dakota.
    iii Julia Esther
         b. 1/2-1859, Randolph Co., Indiana
         d. 11/26-1878, Browersville, Minnesota
         m. --- 1877, M. S. Murphy of Todd Co., Minnesota
     iv Rosilla Katharine
         b. 7/26-1860, Randolph Co., Ind., near Union City
             ---- 1932, near Browersville, Minnesota
             3/12-1879, Alva B. Murphy of Hartford, Minnesota. He was the son of
              Albert and Ellen (Polly) Murphy of Indiana. He was b. 1/20-1860. He
              d. 10/19-1939.
         Children:
           1. Carrie Bessie Murphy

b. 6/5-1880, Todd Co., Minnesota
m. 9/8-1909, Jens Stensgaard. They reside at Buffalo, North Dakota.

                Luther Addison Murphy
           b. 12/2-1881, Todd Co., Minnesota

m. 8/23-1910, Emma Stick

d. 8/?-1938, Deming, Minnesota

3. Orlie Granville Murphy
               b. 6/20-1883, Todd Co., Minnesota
d. --- 1924, Todd Co., Minnesota
Halett Emerson Murphy
b. 10/16-1885, Todd Co., Minnesota
                     6/27-1912, Grace Wilmot. They reside at Clarissa, Minnesota.
               Ervin Victor Murphy
                b. 6/1-1886, Todd Co., Minnesota
                     4/2-1914, Emma Goodman. They reside at Minot. North Dakota.
               Ira Wilson Murphy
                b. 6/28-1889, Todd Co., Minnesota
                m. 10/26-1910, Lucille Peiton
                d. ---- 1937
               Lloyd Benton Murphy
                b. 12/12-1892, Todd Co., Minnesota
                m. 11/1-1916, Eva Frank. They reside at Staples, Minnesota.
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Dow Cyril Murphy

b. 2/26-1895, Todd Co., Minnesota

9. Clinton Anselm Murphy

b. 12/8-1897, Todd County, Minnesota

m. 11/4-1923, Vivian Bentz. She was the dau. of Philip and Mary (Goodman) Bentz. She was b. 9/30-1900.

Children:

- (1) Mona Maxine Murphy, b. 6/11-1924
- (2) Calvin Edward Murphy, b. 12/8-1926
- (3) Wayne Laurel Murphy, b. 6/25-1927
- (4) Rodney Glen Murphy, b. 8/10-1931
- (5) Allen Jerome Murphy, b. 7/11-1933

The Clinton A. Murphys reside in the small town of Clarissa, Todd County, Minnesota. Since the population is 500 it is practically like living in the country. But Clarissa has a very fine high school in which Mona Maxine is a junior. She is editor of the school newspaper. She plays a clarinet in the school orchestra, and, during the summertime, in the town band which gives a free concert each week. She is also a cheer-leader for the school sports events. This school was selected as one of the thirty best in the United States in judging the high school football teams in 1939. Mona expects to prepare for the teaching profession.

Clarissa, the town, is in a section of Minnesota noted for dairying. The famous wheat belts are slightly farther south and west.

Clinton A. Murphy is Manager of the Co-operative Warehouse and is also a professional auctioneer. When John David Nickey (30) settled near Browersville in 1876, he built and operated a mill about two miles from Clarissa. The large mill wheel is still there and the land is still in the possession of the family.

- 10. Keith Wendell Murphy
 b. 10/11-1899, Todd County, Minnesota
 m. ----, Heddie Colman. No children.
- Zelda Barbara Ellen Murphy
 b. 3/5-1901, Todd County, Minnesota
 d. 3/14-1922, Todd County, Minnesota
- 12. Doris Genevieve Murphy
 b. 11/11-1903, Todd County, Minnesota
 d. 10/11-1934, Todd County, Minnesota

The marriage of Rosilla Katharine NICKEY and Alva B. Murphy is noteworthy, and outstanding, in the history of the Nickey Family. It is no less so in Minnesota, or in the United States, for that matter, especially in a period when birth-control was beginning to be practiced, if not with scientific and social consent.

Twelve children--nine of them stalwart sons--reared to maturity, with no deaths, is a rare as well as a large family.

In health and happiness, in comfort, they dwelt forty-three years before death knocked at the door and called Zelda, one of the two younger girls, who had just celebrated her twenty-first birthday and was looking to a happy marriage herself.

Rosilla Katharine Nickey lived to celebrate her 54th wedding anniversary with her husband and children. To the family life of the nation

she contributed a monumental bit.

v William Addison 59

b. 10/15-1862, Randolph County, Indiana

----, Elizabeth ?

vi Harrison D. 60

b. 12/10-1863, Randolph County, Indiana

---- Cora Goodman

vii Ardella

b. 8/29-1865, Randolph County, Indiana d. 12/17-1896, Browersville, Minnesota

viii Lilly May

b. 4/9-1866, Randolph County, Indiana

--- , Mattson Dent Madison. They resided at Browersville, where she was a professional nurse. She resided, later, at Klamath Falls, Oregon, and at her death was living at Astoria. She had three sons. She d. ---- 1937.

ix Samuel Willson 61

b. 10/18-1872

m. 3/?-1902, Edith Alberta Gunderson

John David Nickey, it appears, was not satisfied with good if better were to be had. In 1876, we learn from a letter of his father, Christian, John David had a "tear up". He sold his farm in Randolph County, Indiana, for seven thousand dollars. He turned his live-stock and movables into cash for another eight hundred dollars, boarded the train with his wife and nine children, the oldest now 21, and removed to Central Minnesota, where he and his family became active citizens in the town of Browersville. His oldest son allied himself with the young railroads of that young state. Two of his boys later sought new land in newer portions of the Northwest, and one rose to the Presidency of the Browersville Bank. John David was right in taking the opportune moment to give his growing children an opportunity which could not have been found in Randolph County, Indiana.

^{*}For this data acknowledgement is made to Bertha Mossman Kaler. It was gathered by Samuel P. Kaler, the Historian of Whitley County, Indiana, and is good only to 1913. It has been materially added to, and verified, by data received from Miss Mona Murphy, of Clarissa, Minn., great granddaughter of John David Nickey, and his granddaughter, Mrs. Albert E. Pace, Bozeman, Montana.

Fifth Generation

Genealogical Table

JAMES HENRY⁵ NICKEY (Christian⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)

b. 1/1-1837.

m. 6/5-1856, Mary M. Brouse.

b. 4/22-1836.d. 4/21-1896

He was a farmer, and land-owner, residing near Winchester, the county seat of Randolph Co., Ind.

Children:

li Miranda Almaretta, b. 2/26-1858. She d. 9/15-1894, before her mother. She m. 3/13-1880, John W. Shierling. He was b. 8/12-1858.

Children:

1; Orlie V. Shierling, b. 3/15-1886. He m. 11/18-1905, Pearl Brouse.

Children:

(1) Roscoe Gerald Shierling, who d.y.

This family removed to Dayton, Ohio.

- ii John Christian, b. 1/9-1860. He m. Martha Shoemaker. 62.
- iii Marion Venture, b. 11/16-1861. He m. Ida Elura Shierling. 63.
 - iv Madora Alice, b. 7/30-1864. She m. 4/20-1882, Francis E. Shierling. He was b. 4/1-1861. He d. 12/3-1895. The mother reared her children at Saratoga, Indiana.

Children:

1. Roscoe Allen Shierling, b. 8/10-1884. He m. 10/12-1907, Oma Adomson.

Children:

(1) Cleo Allen Shierling, b. 12-10-1908.

- 2. Inez Elmyra Shierling, b. 7/20-1892.
- v Elmer Dorcy, b. 12/20-1866. m. Ida Alice Clark. 645
- vi Henry Allen, b. 2/1-1874, m. Mary Ellen Conklin. 65
 - vii Minnie E. Nickey, b. 1/15-1877. She m. Nov. 1896, Percy C. Sipe. He was b. 1876. They resided at Portland, Indiana.

Children:

- 1. Otho Edmond Sipe, b. 11/20-1896.
- 2. Lloyd Allen Sipe, b. 11/22-1900.
- 3. Weldon Nickey Sipe, b. 4/17-1903.
- 4. Anna Magdalena Sipe, b. 4/20-1905. 5. Merrill Donovan Sipe, b. 7/28-1907.

Fifth Generation

Genealogical Table

31^b SAMUEL EZEKIEL⁵ NICKEY (Christian⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)
b. 5/9-1839.

b. 5/9-1839. m. (1) -1858, Emily Bragg.

They resided at New Lisbon, Ind. She d. 12/18-1874.

Children:

i Thomas Franklin, b. 1859. dec'd. ii Oscar Eugene, b. 1861.

m. (2)-1876, Cynthia Kemp of Union City Ind. where they then resided many years. In 1912 they were residing at Axtell, Texas.

Children:

iii Virgil, b. 1882, resided in Oklahoma City, Okla.

iv Arthur, b. 1885. v Pearl, b. 1886. d. 1900.

vi Eva, b. 1892.

32 ALLEN SKILLMAN NICKEY (1844-1924)

The birth of this young Apollo seemed to combine all the elements of romantic love and tragedy. Although he was the sixth child of Jacob and Elizabeth (Briggs) Nickey, he was their first son, and a beautiful boy-child. That his mother should suffer death from his birth is the unforgettable pain that clings to the memory of this occasion.

After the burial of his beloved wife one may imagine that Jacob Nickey pulled himself together and resolutely set his face to carry on, doing the duty of both mother and father. A nurse having been provided, one imagines the father took thought of the proper christening of his son.

Although, later, Jacob built a church house for a pioneer congregation of the United Brethren in Christ, of which he and his children were members, yet in 1844 he and his wife were members of the only church organized in this new community, the Methodist Episcopal. The little congregation at Concord Cross-roads belonged to the Fort Wayne Circuit, and was served by the resident pastor at Fort Wayne, 15 miles away, probably by a sermon once in four Sundays. When his wife, Elizabeth, passed away, this pastor, at Fort Wayne, came to comfort him, and to conduct the last rites of burial for the dead. This resident pastor, at Fort Wayne, in 1844, was the Rev. Allen Skillman. This good man reached the heart of Jacob Nickey, and gave encouragement. It is not to be wondered at that when the formal christening of his first son was performed (Jacob held strictly to his formal Lutheran training in this) the babe was named for his pastor, Allen Skillman.

The promising boy-child grew rapidly into the wide awake imaginative active youth. He attended the rural schools with his sisters. He had his share in the chores and the farm work of a well regulated family. He heard the allusions to his great grandfather, Christian Balsley, and his saw-mill in the Blue Ridge Mountains, where Jacob, his father, had worked, while growing up in Virginia. He heard of his grandfather, Samuel Nickey the country doctor. It is easy to believe that Allen chose, in his mind, to be a saw-mill man, or a doctor, rather

than a farmer, a prosaic plowman.

With so much love making and so many marriages taking place in his home-five older sisters, with their numerous men friends, and wedding ceremonies, and
trousseaus always in the air of the houseat Jacob Nickey's there is nothing
surprising--or should not be--in the fact that Allen Skillman, too, had a sweetheart and married her, before he was 21; to be exact, when he was 20 years and
five months old.

There was a pioneer saw-mill some three miles from his father's home, too, which was to be rented and operated at that time, and Allen Skillman decided to do business on his own account, and operate this mill. So life began for this young Apollo.

But not even his dash and business acumen could ward off the tragedy that dogged him. The first infant, born to Allen and Mary E. (Reed) his wife, was attacked when a mere babe by spinal menengitis, and left a deaf mute. Then but a few weeks after the birth of his third child, a boy-child, too, death took away his wife, and the babe's mother.

Such catastrophe in a pioneer community is cause for pause; for reconsideration, and a fresh start. In Allen S. Nickey's case it brought to the surface in an emphatic way his desire to be a physician. Perhaps the need, in his own case, of expert medical advice and help, impressed him with the great opportunity in a medical career.

At any rate, he, now, entered the Indiana Medical College at Indianapolis, and began his training. This was in April of 1870. Indiana Medical College had been established 1849. Dr. Stephen A. Austin, perhaps the most successful doctor, in Whitley County, in 1870, was a graduate of this college. Dr. Owen Gandy, who had been graduated from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia 1857 and Dr. Mitten, a young man, had been trained in Bellevue, N. Y. But these medical schools were far away, and Allen Skillman Nickey must keep in touch with this three orphaned babes, one of them, now, a deaf mute. How did he manage? Well, he did!

One must understand that the medical training of 1870 was a far simpler

matter than it is today, as was likewise the teacher's training. There was no medical society in the County putting upas bar. None existed until 1883, when Dr. Stephen Austin organized one and was made its first President. Such conditions prevailed in most Counties, in Indiana, and westward, then.

By the autumn of 1872 Allen S. Nickey had completed his medical studies and was doing his interneship in a hospital at Indianapolis. He was looking forward to actual practice and to collecting his orphaned children under his own roof-tree again. He invited a young Hoosier school-mistress, Martha Reed, (Mattie) to become his wife and assume the role of mother of his children. They were married at Indianapolis September 26, 1872.

Early in 1873 they settled in a nice little town, Elizaville, Boone County, Indiana and began the new life. Dr. Nickey was phenominally successful as a physician. He put his eldest son, Montford, in the School for the Deaf at Indianapolis, to be educated, and to learn a trade. By 1884 Montford, now 19, and his youngest son, now 14, were ready to receive some practical training toward living. So Dr. Nickey took over a flouring-mill at Elizaville, put in his son, Montford, to run the engines, and his younger son, Charles Franklin, at other mill work, to give them a real start in life.

Everybody made money, and things moved along. Dr. Nickey, now and then, bought a farm, when a bargain came up. Later he moved to Kirklin, then to Tipton, Indiana. Always to a new mill, and a larger one, his sons working along with him. At Tipton, in the 1890's he installed a city lighting plant, and taught the trick of the mechanics to his sons. Here, his other business operations, becoming rather heavy he gave up medical practice. He added the breeding of fine live-stock to his line of activities. Next he removed to Indianapolis to retire from active business. In this interim his sons, now Harold, and Paul, also, by his second marriage carried on at Tipton, which was, in fact real home to all his children.

In 1919 he removed to Florida to enjoy the easy climate. Here he passed away, in 1924, and the next year, his charming wife, Mattie. They were buried in the Nickey plot, at Tipton.

Genealogical Table

ALLEN SKILLMAN 5 NICKEY (Jacob 4, Samuel 3, David 2, Georg 1)
b. 3/10-1844, Smith Tp., Whitley Co., Ind.
d. 7/22-1924, West Pelm Beach, Florida.

m. (1) 8/11-1864, Mary Elizabeth Reed, dau. of Frederick and Nelle (Bennet) Reed of Churubusco, Ind. Nelle Bennet's mother was born in Ireland. Frederick Reed was born in Tuscarawas Co., Ohio.

b. d. 2/13-1870.

m. (2) 9/26-1872, Mathilda (Mattie) Reed, dau.of David and Anna (Metsker) Reed, of Green Center, Noble Co., Ind., and niece of Louis F. Metsker whose wife was Clarissa, sister of Allen Skillman Nickey. She was b. 4/23-1851.

> d. 11/26-1926, at Tipton, Indiana, and is buried there, in the family burying plot.

Children by (1) Mary E. Reed.

i Montford U., b. 6/7-1865, m. Elma Gertrude Prilliman.

ii Blanche Eugenia, b. 6/19-1867, near Churubusco. m. 4/28-1888, Benjamin Morton Guirl, son of Charles A. and Mary (Milhouse) Guirl, farmers of Jennings Co., Ind. He was b. 2/11-1864.

Children:

1. Hazel Ursula Guirl

b. 7/1-1889.

m. 6/19-1919 Herman E. Mayrose M.S.E., M.E., Prof. of Engineering Mechanics at the University of Detroit. Prof. Mayrose was through the Great War, where he became the friend of Paul Raymond Guirl, in France.

2. Paul Raymond Guirl

b. 3/1-1890.

m. 6/10-1919, Thelma Pearl Morris.

Children:

(1) Morris Edward Guirl, b. 1920. University of Michigan freshman, 1938-1939.

Paul Raymond Guirl enlisted in the Great War in 1916. He was in active service in France. He returned early in 1919 and married the girl who had weited for him. He resides in E. Detroit. He is representative of Krueger and Company, specialists in drilling equipment, of Detroit.

3. George Wellington Guirl

b. 3/12-1892.

m. 4/28-1913, Emma Leo Lytton. He resides at Rockford, Ill., where he is distributing agent for the Roper Stove Company.

Children:

(1) Martin R. Guirl, age 21. (1939).

(2) George William Guirl, age 19.

(3) Gene Guirl, age 17.

(4) John Guirl, age 15.

(5) Russell Guirl, age 12.

4. Maybelle Agnes Guirl

b. 9/25-1895.

She has not married. She is office manager for the Export Lumber Sales Corporation of Mobile, Alabama.

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This Corporation is buying and shipping agent for the Dantzler Lumber and Export Company, one of the largest wholesale lumber export firms in the South.

- 5. Clara Barton Guirl.
 b. 10/21-1900.
 d. 10/30-1924.
 m. 1920, Dugan. Divorced.
 - Children:
 (1) Harriett Ellen Dugan, age 18, (1939).
- 6. Leona Alberta Guirl.
 b. 7/7-1903.
 m. ______ Dewey J. Bandy.

Children:

(1) Larry Leon Bandy, age 6, (1939).(2) Donna Gay Bandy, age 3, (1939).

Leona Alberta Guirl was graduated from the University of Illinois. She majored in English and Domestic Science. She ten taught these subjects seven years at West Frankfort, Illinois. Dewey J. Bandy is sales-manager of the Orient Mines No. 1, and No. 2, West Frankfort. These are said to be the largest mines in the World. The Bandys reside at Benton, Illinois, where she is a teacher of domestic science in the public schools.

Blanche (Nickey) and Benjamin Morton Guirl celebrated their golden wedding 4/28-1938, at their home in Mobile, Alabama. In the half century they have been active citizens both in business, and in social life. Mr. Guirl is an industrialist, ranging through the operating of saw-mills, flour mills, electric-light plants, stave factories, lumber yards, housing projects, mine-timber supply, to sawmills for cutting imported mahogany for the market.

In Indiana he has lived and engaged in industry at Kirklin, Clay City, and at Gary. In Illinois at Rockford and at Cairo. From Cairo he moved to New Orleans for the mahogany business, and from there to Mobile, Alabama, where he now resides, having retired from business in 1932.

He writes: "We have happy memories of our living eight years in Rockford, during which time all of our children were at home, until George married, and Paul went to war in France." The Guirls are adherents of the Christian Church. Mr. Guirl has southern ancestors and his children are eligible to the Society, "Daughters of the Confederacy."

67 iii Charles Franklin, b. 12/31-1889. m. Rosa May Parson. Children by Mathilda (Mattie Reed) Nickey.

iv Harold Reed.

b. 2/21-1881.
d. 12/21-1912 at Indianapolis, Ind. He is buried at Tipton, in the family plot.
m. 8/28-1901, Jennie Hiserodt of Tipton, Ind.

68 v Paul Ernest, b. 9/?-1883. m. 8/19-1906, Lulu Mae Glass.

The first child born to Jacob Nickey and his second wife Catherine (Fredericks) was this son, who, early in life grew into that permanent relationship with his father of sympathetic dependability, often seen in first-borns.

When Jacob retired, William Sylvester took over the management of the home place. When he married Jacob built an addition to his house in order that his some might live at home and yet have his own apartments.

William Sylvester embodied the spirit of his father politically, spiritually, and in business. Gradually, in the County, William Sylvester was seen as a leader as his father had been, yet fully in touch with his own times.

Like his father before him, he was chosen two terms as County Commissioner(1888-92)

During his regime the County built the present Court House, which was done to the great satisfaction of the tax-payers. William S. Nickey told his children later, that had he accepted the bonuses offered him, he might have been a rich man.

He and his family were adherents of the United Brethren in Christ Church.

They transferred their membership to the Congregation in Churubusco, where,
although they had to drive four miles for service, they held many administrative
offices. William S. Nickey in a series of seven consecutive years was Sunday
School Superintendent, with its allied functions.

He chose for his wife, Jennie Mossman, a daughter of one of the Mossmans of Wabash County a family of well-to-do farmers and bankers. When she died, leaving to him four daughters and two sons, under 15 years, he carried on alone. These children, all, in time earned college degrees, and married well.

When his family was established for themselves, William Sylvester retired from the farm. He bought him a home in the County Seat, and became a familiar figure about town, always on some errand of mercy, or to do some good deed, until the day of his death.

Genealogical Table

WILLIAM SYLVESTER⁵ NICKEY (Jacob⁴, Samuel³, David², George¹)

b. 11/3-1849

12/21-1925 d.

10/17-1878, Jennie Mossman, dau. of John Jennings and Rachel (Daugherty) Mossman of Wabash County, Indiana.

Children:

i Inez

2/24-1880 b.

8/1-1912, J. W. Vogel, son of Fred Vogel of Bozeman, Montana, formerly of Switzerland.

Children:

- 1. William Jacob Vogel, b. 11/20-1916
- 2. Fred Nickey Vogel, b. 6/4-1920

Inez (Nickey) Vogel attended the University of Indiana, 1903-04, and Oberlin College 1904-05. She then taught in the Public Schools of Hammond, Indiana for four years. In 1909 she took a position in the schools at Lewistown, Montana, and in summers lived on a tract of land she was home-steading. She met J. W. Vogel, also a teacher in the Lewis-town Schools. In 1912 they were married at her father's home in Columbia City. Mr. Vogel was born in Canton Glarus, Switzerland. He is a graduate of Bozeman Prep-School and the Normal School at Dillon. The Vogels have retired from teaching and now own a large sheep ranch. Their sons plan to get degrees from the Agricultural College of Montana at Bozeman. William already has taken the Short Course in Engineering. The family is Presbyterian, and Democrat.

69 ii Lan H.

b. 2/17-1881

m. Rozella McClain

iii Lee F.

b. 4/17-1883. He is not married. He was graduated from Wabash College, A. B., 1913. He taught in DeKalb, Illinois High School four years, and Shattuck Military School (Minnesota) fifteen years. At present he owns and operates a merchandising house, North Manchester, Ind. He is a Scottish Rite 32° Mason, member of Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, and the Epscopalian Church.

iv Rheua

b. 5/10-1885

8/4-1915, Rev. Ernest Wright, D. D., son of Reuben A. and Mrs. Wright. He was b. 6/8-1880, at Red Wing, Minnesota. He was graduated from the University of Minnesota (1902) and from McCormick Seminary (1905). At present he is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Waukesha, Wisconsin. He was chosen Moderator of the Michigan Synod in 1930. Earlier he was Moderator of the Wisconsin Synod.

Children:

1. Robert Ernest Wright b. 11/28-1917. He is completing his senior year at the University of Wisconsin. See his "Senior Data Sheet", following, as an illustration of Nickeys at college. He will be graduated in Mechanical Engineering, June, 1940.

On December 21, 1939, in an inter-school contest he was selected, and appointed to the staff of the Marsanto Chemical Company of St. Louis, which operates a chain of plants in the South and in England.

During the last months of his senior year he is directing an "Engineering Exposition" at his University. Thirty leading Industrial Plants are sending exhibits. The Governor of Wisconsin will make an address, and there will be a number of conferences. It is the first venture of its kind. The University hopes it will be so fine that it will become a yearly event.

2. William Nickey Wright

b. 6/30-1920. He is completing his sophomore year in the Chemical Engineering course at the University of Wisconsin. He is a member of the University First Regimental Band, and editor of the "Wisconsin Engineer", a student publication of the Engineering School.

v Lena

b. 11/7-1887

m. 6/5-1912, Roscoe Brumbaugh, son of John Brumbaugh of Thorncreek Twp., Whitley County. He has a business education and is a Teller in a banking house at Columbia City, Indiana.

Children:

1. Roscoe Nickey Brumbaugh

b. 9/25-1918, Columbia City, Ind. He was graduated from the C. C. High School with highest honors, and awarded a four-year Rector Scholarship at DePauw University. He is completing his senior year. As a junior he was named editor of the campus publication "The Boulder" and was art editor of the college annual. He has been elected to the creative writing honorary society "Tusitala" of this University. He is majoring in Art, and in English.

Lena Nick ey attended Winona Lake College, specializing in music and art. She was Librarian of the Public Library of Columbia City before her marriage. The family are members of the Tulley-Krider Memorial United Brethren Church of Columbia City, and they are Democrats.

vi Ella

b. 11/4-1889

m. 6/15-1917, Carleton Dyer. She was graduated from Winona Lake College, and teaches in the Julia Ward Howe Public School, Chicago, Illinois. He is a R. R. Locomotive Engineer.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN College of Engineering Senior Data Sheet of

ROBERT E. WRIGHT
B. S. in Mechanical Engineering, 1940



A SON at College

Major Interests:

Production work - Automotive Engineering.

Personal Data: Born, Nov. 28, 1917. At, Oconto, Wis. Height, 6 ft. Weight, 170 lbs. Single. Ancestry: American since 1790, German and English. Father's Occupation: Minister.

High School Information: Graduated, 1935.

From, Waukesha High School. At, Waukesha, Wis.

Activities: Editor, School Paper - Honor Society
Class Officer - Debate.

University Information:

National Engineering Society: A.S.M.E. - S.A.E. Honorary and Professional Societies: Pi Kappa Delta -Alpha Tau Sigma.

Activities: Campus News Editor, Wisconsin Engineer Officer, Presbyterian Student Center - President, Eating
Co-op - Secretary, A.S.M.E.

Earned: 90% of college expenses.

College Work Enjoyed Most: Machine Design - Shops.

Summer Vacation Experience:

Owner and manager of small, part-time printing business in Waukesha, Wis. - 4 years.

Machinist and general shop experience, Michael Yundt Co., Waukesha, Wis. - 1 year.

References:

Dr. C. A. Wood, Physician, Waukesha, Wis.
Rev. C. W. Lower, 731 State Street, Madison, Wis.
Professor P. H. Hyland, Department of Mechanical Engineering,
University of Wisconsin.
R. W. S. Hoskin, Hoskin Paper Co., Menominee, Mich.

Address: In Madison: 741 West Dayton Street.
At Home: 121 Arcadian Avenue, Waukesha, Wis.

Record as a student will be furnished upon request by The Dean, College of Engineering, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.



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JACOB WILSON⁵ NICKEY (Jacob⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)

b. 4/5-1854, Churubusco, Ind.
 d. 9/25-1925, Buffalo, N. Y.

Me Mina Lord, of Churubusco, Ind.
A teacher in the Whitley County Public Schools.

Children:

i Mande

b. Churubusco, Ind.

m. William H. Schwinger of Buffalo, N. Y. They reside

at Ebenezer, N. Y., where they operate the Harswing Kennels

and grow distinctive collies.

Jacob Wilson Nickey grew to manhood on his father's farm. He was taught early in life to know the value of farm stock. Soon he took a great interest in feeding and caring for all kinds. Because of this skill in handling animals he became a shipper. As early as 1873 he accompanied a car of cattle which his father shipped to Buffalo. In 1877 he commenced to buy hogs, and cattle, for the regular shipping trade to the Buffalo market. He generally accompanied his shipments and sold them on this market. He grew into an experienced salesman, and, in 1898 Mr. B. Williamson of Buffalo came to "Jakie" Nickey in Indiana, seeking to employ him in his Buffalo Commission House.

In January 1905 Jacob Wilson Nickey became a member of this firm. He amassed a considerable fortune in the cattle business in Buffalo, where he resided the long term of 27 years, until his death. The "Buffalo Stock Record" said of him:

"Mr. Nickey was the soul of honor; a man of the highest integrity; one whose dealings were always above reproach; a real man in all that the term implies." His wife and daughter survived him.



Fifth Generation

DIVISION TWO

Fifth Generation, Division Two

Genealogical Table

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JACOB M.<sup>5</sup> NICKEY (Jacob<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Georg<sup>1</sup>)
b. 6/30-1845, Washington Twp., York County, Pennsylvania
    d.
        12/10-1928
    m. ----1870, Katharine Klenepeter? (Glapeter?)
    Children:
       i Amnie
        b. ----1872
        m. --- Chronister
        She has one son.
     ii Daniel W.
78
        b. ----1874
            --- --. He has one son and one daughter. He resides in York,
        m.
             Pennsylvania and is the President of the Nickey Association of
             York, Adams, and Cumberland Counties.
    iii Sevilla
        b. ----1876
        m. ----, Myers
        No children.
     iv Robert Jacob
79
        b. ----1882
        m. --- He resides in Springfield, Ohio. No children.
36 JOHN M.<sup>5</sup> NICKEY (Jacob<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Georg<sup>1</sup>)
    b. 1/29-1847, York County, Pennsylvania
d. 1/6-1906, York County, Pennsylvania
        of David F. Nickey his brother.
    m.
    Children:
      i Ada
        b.
            ---- George Criswell of East Berlin.
        Children:
           1. Maybert Criswell. She m. Edward Reichert.
           2. Naomi Criswell. She m. Robert Alwine.
     ii Charles
        d. y.
    m. ----, (2) Emma Chronister, a cousin of his first wife.
    Children:
    iii Daisy
        b. ----
        m. ----, Frank Myers of New Oxford, Pennsylvania.
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Children:

- 1. Glenn Isaac Myers b. ----
- iv Byron

b. ----

----, Mellie Klinedienst

71 v John

b. ----

----, Beulah Albright m.

37 DAVID FRANKLIN⁵ NICKEY (Jacob⁴, John³, John², Georg¹)

b. 4/8-1853, Washington Twp., York County, Pennsylvania

m. 11/9-1875, Mary Ann Chronister of York County, Pennsylvania, whose sisters, Elizabeth and Martha Jane, married respectively John M. Nickey, brother of David F., and Oliver Garber, nephew of David Franklin Nickey. Mary Ann was b. ---- She d. 8/15-1835. She is interred in the cemetery at Hampton, Adams County, Pennsylvania.

Children:

i A daughter

b. 10/7-1878 at Hampton, Pennsylvania. d. y.

ii Lilly May

b. 11/8-1879, Bragtown, York County, Pennsylvania.

iii John Irwin

b. 3/3-1893, Columbus, Ohio. d. y.

At the death of his father, David Franklin was adopted into the family of Jacob Spahr, who was a cousin of this orphaned lad -- a cousin on the March family side.

David Franklin Nickey is a carpenter and contractor. In the 1880's he moved to Abilene, Kansas. He remained at Abilene two years. Here his daughter Lilly May began her schooling. After tarrying in Kansas City a short period, he went back to Columbus, Ohio, where he has resided since. Here, in 1893, his only son was born, but he died in infancy. Lilly May completed the Columbus High School and was graduated from the Ohio State Normal School at Columbus. She became a staff teacher of the Columbus Elementary Schools, and is at present teaching in this city.

David Franklin Nickey and his daughter Lilly May are communicants of the Wilson Avenue Reformed Church.

38 GRANVILLE S. NICKEY (Jacob⁴, John³, John², Georg¹)

b. 12/13-1856, Dover Twp., York County, Pennsylvania

2/3-1932 at Hanover, York County, Pennsylvania 8/17-1876, Susan Kuntz. She was b. 6/28-1857. She d. 5/14-1921 at Hanover, where both are buried. Granville S. Nickey was a carpenter. He belonged to Malta Lodge K.P., and to the Reformed Church.

Children:

i Rosella E.

b. 9/1-1880 at Hanover, Pennsylvania

9/3-1903, John A. Stought of Allen, Pennsylvania. He was b. 10/10-1868. He d. 10/30-1932, age 64. He was a farmer. They were members of United Brethren Church.

Children:

- 1. Annie M. Stought

 - b. 2/14-1905 d. 2/23-1935 m. 8/1-1926, Clyde J. Fertenbaugh

Children:

- (1) Clyde J. Fertenbaugh, Jr. b. 3/1-1927
- (2) Helen Arlene Fertenbaugh b. 5/23-1928
- (3) Mildred Louise Fertenbaugh b. 4/9-1930
- (4) Donald Fertenbaugh b. 12/21-1932
- 2. John G. Stought
 - b. 6/28-1908, Allen, Pennsylvania
 - m. 9/17-1938, Grace Souders He is a farmer. Member of Reformed Church.
- Harry Milton Stought
 - b. 7/8-1910
 - 12/22-1930, Clara F. Meixel who was b. 11/24-1912. He is a farmer. He belongs to the Reformed Church.

Children:

- (1) Larry Lee Stought b. 7/23-1938
- 4. Katharine E. Stought
 - b. 8/20-1912, Allen, Pennsylvania
 - m. 7/21-1937, Robert O. Keller. He was b. 3/22-1913. He is manager of a 5 & 10¢ store at Lebanon, Pennsylvania.
- 5. Carroll A. Stought

 - b. 12/10-1914, Allen, Pennsylvania
 m. 4/10-1937, Della M. Shaull. She was b. 4/25-1914. He is a truck driver. He resides at Allen, Pennsylvania.
- 72 ii William H.
 - b. 2/14-1883
 - ----, Abbie Sneeringer
 - iii David A.
 - b. 1/20-1886
 - 1/9-1889. Buried at Franklin Church, York County.
- 73 iv Philip A.
 - b. 12/8-1889
 - m. ----, Bessie Goulder
- 74 v John A.
 - b. 3/13-1892
 - m. ----, Hattie Kellenberger

vi Emma Catherine

b. 12/20-1893, Hanover, Pennsylvania
m. 3/11-1911, David E. Leppo. He is a machinist. The family are adherents of Trinity Reformed Church of Hanover. David E. Leppo is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of the American Revolution.

Children:

1. Raymond D. Leppo

b. 4/11-1915. He was graduated from Thompson College (York, Pennsylvania, a Business School) and is employed as secretary in a bank. His memberships include: American Federation of Arts, American Philatelic Society, Rosicrucian Order (A.M.O.R.C.), and the Knights of Pythias. He is an adherent of the Reformed Church.

2. Melvin Leppo

b. 8/21-1917. He is a dairyman. He attended Thompson College. He belongs to the K.P. Lodge of Hanover, and Trinity Reformed

75 vii Robert S.

b. 6/22-1896

m. Beulah Shaffer

viii Charles M.

b. 3/1-1899
d. 1/21-1911. He is buried at Hanover, Pennsylvania.

Fifth Generation, Division Two

Genealogical Table

DANIEL EDGAR⁵ NICKEY (Henry L.⁴, John³, John², Georg¹)

b. 2/15-1849, Washington Twp., York Co., Penna.
d. 3/21-1914, Chicago, Illinois.
m. 3/5-1879, Emma Yorty, dau. of John Yorty.

Children:

i Frank 80

b. 2/17-1880, Franklin Grove, Ill. m. Maude Macdonald.

Caroline

b. 7/9-1881, at Ashton, Illinois. m. 3/7-1905, William Fred Bleck. He was b. 8/4-1868, in Germany.

Children:

William Fred Bleck, Jr. b. 1/7-1906, at Chicago, Illinois. He matriculated in the University of Chicago and was graduated in December, 1927, with Ph.B. degree. He is a member of Acacia, and of Delta Sigma Pi.

William Fred Bleck, Jr. married 8/25-1933, Mildred A. Jones, dau. of Robert Royden Jones.

Children:

(1) Phyllis Elaine Bleck b. 3/10-1936, Oak Park, Ill.

He is a Public Accountant. He is also Past Master of Oak Park Lodge #540 A. F. & A. M. The Blecks are Episcopalians.

iii Ada

b. 9/29-1884. d. 1933. She did not marry.

81 iv Daniel Edgar II

b. 12/25-1887, at Woodland, Ill. m. Ruth Sheveland.

Fifth Generation, Division Two

Genealogical Tables

ANDREWS NICKEY (Henry4, John3, John2, Georg1.)

b. 4/25-1851, Adams Co., Penna., Berlin.
 d. 2/26-1917, Long Beach, Calif.

m. (1) 3/4-1871, Mary Wisman, dau. of Adam and Catherine Wisman, of New York City. She was b. 8/6-1851, at New York City. She d. 12/18-1889, at Ashton, Ill.

Children:

i. Hattie Violet, b. 2/8-1873.

m. 2/8-1894, Emmett Randall.

Children:

1. Mary Lucile Randall.

b. 5/28-1895.

m. 7/21-1920, Orville Glenn Satterlee of Long Beach, California.

Children: .

(1) Robert Randall Satterlee

b. 11/12-1922, Charles City, Ill.

d. 3/27-1931.

(2) Frances Jeanne Satterlee

b. 2/17-1925, Charles City.

2. Genevieve Randall.

b. 12/4-1903

m. 3/20-1930, Crawford A. Thomas of Dixon, Ill.

Children:

(1) Wayne Edward Thomas b. 5/4-1931, Dixon, Ill.

The Randalls, Satterlees, and Thomases are adherents of the Methodist Episcopal Church in their various home towns.

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ii Clinton D. Nickey, b. 7/1-1875. He m. Isabella Kennedy Hamilton.

m. (2) ----1893, Flora King. She was b. 9/12-1860, Ashton, Ill. She d. ----1930, Long Beach, Calif.

Children:

iii Jeanette, b. ----1895.

m. ----1923, Melvin Blurton, of Long Beach, Calif.

Children:

1. Richard Blurton, b. 1924.

2. Donald Blurton, b. 1926.

3. Ruth Blurton, b. 1933.

The Blurtons are members of Grace M. E. Church, Long Beach, Calif.

iv Ruth, b. 2/ -1906, at Ashton, Ill.

d. 1/ 1907, at Ashton, buried at Ashton.

FRANKLIN PIERCE NICKEY of Santa Ana

Franklin Pierce Nickey was 86 years young February 17, 1939. He held open house on that day to his friends, the business men of Santa Ana. He was interviewed by the dailies who sent representatives to the "press conference" he granted them, reviewing the changes that have come in conditions during seven decades.

East Berlin, near Gettysburg, Penna., was the place of his birth, 1853. When 20 he went west to Paw Paw, Ill., and started in the hardware business. He expanded into better locations and moved into Iowa, at Stanwood, and Ames. One may well imagine that agricultural implements and machinery were part of his line.

In 1886 taking advantage of a rate "war" among the trunk-lines to the Pacific, he was able to visit Santa Ana, Calif., and return for \$10.00.

Impressed with Santa Ana he sold out in Iowa, and opened a hardware business in Santa Ana, in 1887, making himself a part of the town, during more than 50 years of residence there.

He has taken a very active part in civic affairs. He has been President of the Chamber of Commerce of Santa Ana; is President of the Merchants and Manufacturer's Association; was Supervisor of the County for two terms. He is an Elk, and an active member of Kiwanis. "He enjoys life" says his wife, "and is optimistic over conditions; he reads the dailies and keeps well informed." "He is one person who has really realized the things he anticipated doing in his youth", she commented further.

He received his education in the common schools, but has added to this by wide travel. He has toured most of the States of the Union. He made a complete tour around the world in 1926, and since then has made special visits to Alaska and to the Canal Zone. In 1930, he, again toured Europe.

On Christmas Day, 1938, he with his wife entertained his entire family, having them all assembled from everywhere as his guests, 22 in all.

Genealogical Table

42 FRANKLIN PIERCE⁵ NICKEY I (Henry⁴, John³, John², Georg¹)

b. 2/17-1853, East Berlin, Adams Co. Penna.

m. (1) 12/24-1873, Mary Alvord, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Alvord, of Ames, Iowa. She was b. at Princeton, Ill. She d. 6/2-1901 at Santa Ana, Calif.

m. (2) 4/17-1913, Elizabeth Willard, dau. of Dewitt C. and Lavinia Willard, of Friendship, New York.

Children:

33 i Clyde Harvey, b. 3/4-1875. m. Callie Carver. ii Mabel Evelyn

b. 5/8-1877 m. 7/14-1897, Eli Brock Trago, son of Gabriel Trago. He d. 11/15-1935. He was b. 10/30-1858, Cisne, Ill.

Children:

- 1. Eugene Nickey Trago. b. at Santa Ana. He was graduated from Stanford University. He is married, and is engaged in business in Indianapolis, Ind. where he resides.
- 2. Kathleen Trago. b. at Santa Ana. m. Paul G. Wallace, at Santa Ana.

Children:

(1) William Trago Wallace. b. 11/ 1931.

iii Maude Estelle

b. 7/26-1879.

m. 7/22-1901, Charley Ross Bowler. He d. 1/24-1939. No children.

iv Fred, b. 2/2-1882. d. 1/18-1887.

v Allyne May

b. 9/2-1884.

d. 6/7-1925.

m. 6/5-1905, Walter Newell Congdon of San Juan Capistrano, Calif. a business man, auto-sales.

Children:

1. Jack Nickey Congdon.

ъ. 7/3-1906.

m. 5/30-1933, Genevieve Long.

Children:

(1) Jacque Congdon (2) Jean Congdon

Twin daughters, b.

Jack Nickey Congdon was graduated from the University of Sou. Calif. He is a dentist, practicing in Los Angeles, Calif.

2. Mildred Allyne Congdon.

b. 7/15-1913.

m. 4/2-1935, Alfred Hammond Lindsay of Ventura, Calif. Children:

(1) Margaret Ann Lindsay, b. 7/18-1938.

Alfred H. Lindsay is with the Associated Oil Co. of Ventura, Calif.

vi Genevieve.

b. 2/17-1888, at Santa Ana, Calif.
m. 6/15-1907, John E. Spencer, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Spencer
of Eagle Rock, Calif.

They reside at Los Angeles.

Children:

1. John Vernon Spencer.

b. 6/23-1915 at Los Angeles. He was graduated from Linfield College, Oregon. He is a manufacturer at San Diego, Calif.

2. Virginia Spencer.
b. 12/24-1917, at Los Angeles.

Fifth Generation

DIVISION THREE



Genealogical Table

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DAVID⁵ NICKEY (John⁴, David³, George², Georg¹)
b. 4/19=1857, Carlisle, Penna.
d. 5/24=1935, Oakley, Ill.
m. 3/19=1885, Emma Baker, dau. of Solomon and Mary Baker of Oakley,
Macon Co. Ill.

Children:

i Myrtle.

b. 1/7-1887, at Oakley, Ill.

m. 10/30-1932, George Smythe, son of Samuel and Jane Smythe of Vandalia, Ill. No children. Mr. Smythe is a laborer.

ii Lela.

b. 11/9-1889, Oakley, Ill.

m. 10/16-1912, John Stewart, son of William and Belle Stewart of Oakley, Ill. Mr. Stewart is a bus-driver.

Children:

1. Florence Stewart.

b. 8/17-1913, Decatur, Ill.

m. 9/30-1932, Herchel Mooney , of Decatur, Ill. where he is a salesman.

iii Pearl.

b. 9/8-1892, Oakley, Ill.

m. 8/21-1913, Marvin Veech, son of Clement and Etta Veech of Oakley, Ill. Mr. Veech is a farmer. No children.

85 iv Harry E. b. 3/20-1898, m. Pearl McDonald.

> v David, Jr. b. 1/21-1901, Oakley, Ill. Not married. He is a farmer.

vi Kenneth. b. 6/11-1903, Oakley, Ill. He is not married. He is a farmer.

The men and women of this family are adherents of the United Brethren Church.

David Nickey, and his parents, John Nickey and his wife, are buried at West Frantz Cemetery, at Cerro Gordo, Ill.

Emma (Baker) Nickey and her sons, David Jr. and Kenneth reside on the farm created in Macon County Ill. by David, their husband and father, and farm it themselves.

Genealogical Table

OLIVER THEODORE⁵ NICKEY (William⁴, David³, George², Georg¹)

b. 12/20-1856, Oakley, Macon Co. Ill.
d. 1/14-1923, Oakley, Macon Co. Ill.
m. (1) 1/17-1880, Anna C. Mentzer. She was b. 5/29-1854. She d. 5/29-1887.

Children:

i Clarence Oliver, b. 1/11-1881, Oakley, Ill. He has not married.

m. (2) 1/18-1888, Mary M. Garriott, dau. of Franklin and Catherine Garriott. She was b. 11/7-1857. She d. 9/16-1923.

Children:

ii Jessie Marie.

b. 8/29-1890, Oakley, Ill. She has not married.

iii William Franklin.

b. 10/4-1892, Oakley. d. 12/6-1892.

iv Marjie Lois.

b. 3/5-1898, Oakley. She has not married.

Oliver Theodore Nickey was a landowner and engaged in diversified farming.

Genealogical Table

44b WILLIAM HENRY 5 NICKEY (William4, David3, George2, Georg1)

b. 10/3-1870, Oakley, Ill.
d. 5/15-1939, Oakley, Ill.
m. 3/17-1897, Minnie Browning, dau. of Henry and Hannah Browning. She was b. 11/17-1875.

Children:

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i Herschel Browning.

b. 4/24-1898, Oakley, Ill. m. Grace Viola Lehman.

ii Lucille Minnie.

b. 3/5-1902, Oakley, Ill. She has not married. She is a bookkeeper, -employed in offices at Decatur, Ill.

iii Helen Hannah.

b. 8/29-1905, Oakley, Ill.

m. 10/25-1924, Charles C. Robinson, son of and Martha Robinson. He was b. 11/13-1905.

Children:

1. Dolores Ilene Robinson.

b. 11/19-1928, Decatur, Ill.

d. 3/26-1937, Oakley, Ill.

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iv George William.

b. 3/17-1908, Oakley, Ill. m. Gladys Rebecca Massey.

v. Gertrude Catherine.

b. 1/4-1911, Oakley, Ill.

m. 2/21-1933, Arthur Daniel Grubbs. He is the son of James and Grubbs and was b. 11/1-1906. They reside at Watseka, Iroquois Co. Ill.

Children:

1. James William Grubbs.

b. 10/14-1933, Decatur, Ill.

2. Carolyn Joan Grubbs.

b. 11/4-1936, Watseka, Ill.

Fifth Generation

Genealogical Table

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45 JOHN McCOY<sup>5</sup> NICKEY (Simon P.<sup>4</sup>, David<sup>3</sup>, George<sup>2</sup>, Georg<sup>1</sup>)
≡ b. ---- 1863
   m. --- 1885, Minnie Rhea of Urbana, Ohio. He resides at Rathdrum, Idaho.
    Children:
      i Mary F.
        b. 10/19-1886, Oakley, Illinois
        m. 4/6-1909, George Hatch of Spokane, Washington, son of Ida Hatch.
            They own and operate the Hatch Bakery at Spokane.
        Children:
          1. Howard Harold Hatch
              b. --- 1910, Spokane, Washington
              d. ----1925, Spokane, Washington
             Mildred Hatch
              b. --- 1912, Spokane, Washington
              m. ----, -----. They reside in Chicago, Illinois.
             Anita Hatch
              b. --- 1915, Spokane, Washington. She is a nurse and a student
                  in Whitworth College, Spokane, Washington.
              Edith Hatch
          4.
              b. --- 1917, Spokane, Washington. She is in the professional nurses training school, Portland, Oregon.
              Edgar Hatch
              b. --- 1919, Spokane, Washington
                  ---- He is with his parents in the Hatch Bakery
                  of Spokane.
              James Hatch
              b. --- 1922, Spokane, Washington. He is a graduate of Spokane
                  High School. He is working for his parents in the bakery.
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     ii William Rhea
        b. ---- 1888
        m. ----, -----
    iii Simon P.
        b. ---- 1891
        m. ----, ------
     iv Florence
        b. ---- 1894
        m. ----, Taylor
        Children:
          1. Florence Taylor, Jr. She resides in Seattle, Washington. She is a
              graduate of the University of Washington.
      v Fannie
        b. ----
        d.y.
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Genealogical Table

- SAMUEL HOFF⁵ NICKEY (David⁴, George³, George², Georg¹).
 - b. 1/15-1855, probably near Carlisle, Penna.
 d. 12/10-1919, Carroll Co. Md.
 m. 1/15-1884, Mary Utz, dau. of

 - She was b. 12/25-1855. She d. 3/31-1937, Westminster, Md.

Children:

- i David Maurice, b. 1/14-1885, Westminster, Maryland. 88
 - ii Margaret, b. 9/29-1888. She m. Leister. She resides near Mexico, Md. and has one son.
 - iii Annie, b. 10/30-1890. She m. Houck. She resides at Snydersburg, Md. She has three daughters and two sons.
 - iv John Albert, b. 9/29-1892. He removed to Ohio. No further data.
 - w Miriam, b. 11/9-1895. She m. Herbst. She resides near Westminster, Md. and has one son.

REV. AMOS J. NICKEY

Rev. Amos J. Nickey who finished his 86th year on November 11, 1939 had an active life, first in the teaching profession, then in the ministry of the Church of the Brethren. He first began teaching in the public schools of Pennsylvania near Carlisle. When still a single man he went to Macon County, Illinois, about 1776, where a cousin, Simon P. Nickey, was Superintendent of the County School System. Here he taught before, and after, his marriage, (1880), in and around Oakley.

Amos J. Nickey was ordained to the ministry of the Church of the Brethren January 1, 1882, at Okaw Church, Piatt County, Illinois. He held the pastorate fifteen years at Oakley, Illinois; five years at Juanita, Nebraska; four years at Alvo, Nebraska; eight years at Kearney, Nebraska; about twenty years at Monticello, Minnesota; and three in Iowa; or, about fifty-five years of full-time service to the Kingdom of God.

When he retired he chose to reside at North Manchester, Indiana, a college town where his daughter, Flora, resided, and where her daughters were being educated.

Here he passed away on February 5, 1940, and was taken to Oakley, Illinois for interment in the churchyard of his first pastorate.

He had traveled in America "from Atlantic to Pacific" as he said it, and knew his own country well. Had he lived until March 3, 1940, he and his splendid wife, who survives him, would have celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Genealogical Table

47 AMOS J.5 NICKEY (Benjamin F.4, George ³ , George ² , Georg ¹).
b. 11/11-1853, Frankford Twp. Cumberland Co. Penna.
m. 3/2-1880, Mary Heckman, dau. of John and Barbara Heckman of Cerro Gordo,
Illinois.
Children:
i Flora May.
b. 1881 at Oakley, Ill.
m. (1) 6/12-1902 Rev. Amos W. Ross, son of Robert and Susan (Snell) Ross, of Sidney, Ind. He was b. 9/27-1879. He
d. 1924 at N. Manchester, Ind.
Children:
l. Nina Ross.
b. 1908, at Vyara, India.
m. Rev. Gorman A. Zook.
a). (1) 1
Children:
(1) Vivian Louise Zook. b. 2/6-1931.
(2) Harold Eugene Zook. b. 6/28-1933. (3) Loren Edward Zook. b. 12/19-1938.
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They reside at La Grange, Indiana.
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2. Ruth Ross. b. 1910, at Vyara, India.
m. Rev. Daniel M. Brumbaugh.
Children:
(1) Juanita Ann Brumbaugh. b. 8/9-1939.
They hold a pastorate at Danville, Ohio.
3. Evelyn Ross.
b. 1916, at Bulsar, India.
She is a student in Medical School at Indiana University,
Bloomington.
4. Pauline Ross.
b. 1917, at Bulsar, India.
m. 8/26-1939 Wm. H. Hare of Pasadena, Calif.
She was Emerating Secretary to the School of Intermetional
She was Executive Secretary to the School of International Relations, Portland, Oregon. They reside at Pasadena.
Each of these four daughters has the Bachelor's degree from
North Manchester College, at N. Manchester, Indiana.
m. (2) Rev. John Bjorklund of North Manchester, Ind. They reside
at N. Manchester on a farm.
89 ii Paul A., b. 12/31-1883. m. Nora Musselman.
iii Barbara, b1886? Has not married.
90 iv Joseph, b. 2/26-1890, Oakley, Illinois. He m. Alice Reiff.

Flora May Nickey

The life work of Flora May Nickey other than that of wife and mother (which duties she has performed worthily) is bound up, inseparably with that of her husband, Amos W. Ross, a missionary and administrative agent of the Church of the Brethren at Vyara, India, and a second period at Bulsar, India.

He did his preparatory work as a student at Manchester College, and then Mount Morris College 1899 to 1903. As early as 1899 he was called to the ministry by his home church. At Mount Morris College Flora May Nickey and Rev. Ross met and were united in marriage.

At Mount Morris College Rev. and Mrs. Ross dedicated themselves to the Foreign Mission Field. In the spring of 1904 they received appointment to a new mission station in Vyara, India, where no Christian work had been done, and where there was a strong prejudice against Christianity. In November 1904 they began. It is here that the Rosses did their greatest work. Here on this unpromising field has grown up the largest Church of the Brethren in the World.

They labored on this field nine years. They built Mission Buildings and Houses for the Teachers. They opened a boarding-school for the native girls. Mrs. Ross administered health instruction and medicinal care to women and children.

During 1914 they enjoyed a furlough in America. In 1915 they returned to work in India, and were appointed to Bulsar. Their work at Bulsar was almost exclusively with the indigenous classes. Rev. Ross supervised the work of 16 teachers. But his health broke completely, and in 1922 Flora Nickey brought home her sick husband with little hope of recovery, and her four young daughters. They settled at North Manchester, Indiana, where Rev. Ross died in 1924.

Here Mrs. Flora Nickey Ross continued with rearing and educating her daughters. After some years she was offered marriage by Rev. John Bjorklund, and she accepted. They reside on a farm, near North Manchester, Indiana. Flora May Nickey Ross Bjorklund's parents, the Rev. Amos J. Nickey, and wife, having retired from the ministry, live near her.

Dr. Barbara Nickey

Dr. Barbara Nickey is a medical missionary, appointed by the Church of the Brethren, in 1915 to the mission station at Dahanu, India, in the Marathi language area. The medical work, here, began from the ground, up. Before the hospital was put up a dispensary was built on the Dahanu compound, which added to the ease with which the work could be done. Dr. Nickey is Superintendent of the Hospital, which is for women and children. Dahanu is some 75 miles north of Bombay. Even though her fees are very low--some only a few cents--she has been able to make her work mostly self-supporting. She enjoys the confidence and practice of some of the native Royal Families. She has received several nice gifts from well-to-do Indians for her work.

Barbara Nickey received her theological training at Bethany Biblical Seminary. She took her first two years of medical training at Battle Creek, when Dr. Kellogg was still having a Medical School in connection with the Sanitarium there. Then she took two years at Chicago. Her interneship was done at Cook County Hospital.

Genealogical Table

JOHN H.⁵ NICKEY (Benjamin F.⁴, George³, George², Georg¹)
b. 9/2-1858, North Middleton Twp. Cumberland Co. Penna.
m. 5/15-1890, Alma Gates, dau. of Levi and Ellen Gates of Allen, Penna.
She d. 4/23-1916, at Allen, Penna.

91 i Jay Frank, b. 3/8-1891. m. Edna Straw.

ii Cora A. b. 3/8-1893, at Allen, Penna. She was educated in the public schools and was graduated from Irving College Music Conservatory, Mechanicsburg, Penna. She is a teacher of piano. She is pianist of the Sunday School and Church Service of the Church of God at Allen, Penna. She is a communicant of this Denomination. She has not married.

iii C. Arthur, b. 10/13-1895. m. Blanche Ruhl. 92 93

iv John O., b. 7/24-1898. m. Gladys Hertzler. v Alma M. b. 10/28-1900. She was educated in the public schools of Carlisle, and in Cumberland Valley State Teachers' College, Shippensburg. She has taught in the Schools of Shiremanstown, Penna. ten years. Then she held a teaching position in the public schools of Mount Holly Springs, Penna. for seven years, which position she is at present holding. Like her sister, Cora, she is a member of the Church of God at Allen, Penna. and has, likewise, not married. She teaches in the Sunday School of her Church.

John H. Nickey has given his life to the teaching profession, in Pennsylvania. He has, likewise given service to civic offices, being Justice of the Peace at Allen for twenty years, and Deputy Prothonotary for thirteen years. In this choice of activity he has followed the precedent of the Founder of the Family in America, and others of the First Nickeys in America. He was educated in the public schools of Cumberland County and in the Cumberland Valley Institute at Mechanicsburg.

Genealogical Table

49 MOSES A.5 NICKEY (Benjamin F.4, George³, George², Georg¹).

b. 3/16-1860, near Carlisle, Cumberland Co. Penna. N. Middleton Twp.

m. (1) 5/?-1891, Nannie Garrett of Oakley, Ill. She d. 9/?-1893, at Oakley.

m. (2) 2/27-1896, Emma Hendricks, dau. of Sylvester and Sarah Hendricks of Decatur, Ill.

Children:

i Anna B.

b. 10/13-1897, Oakley, Ill. She is a teacher in the Public Schools of Decatur, Ill. She is a member of N. E. A., of I. E. A. and other professional educational groups.

ii Olive.

b. 8/2-1899, Oakley, Ill.

m. 11/11-1926, Earl Johns, son of William and Lena Johns. He is a grain buyer at Morrisonville, Ill. She was a teacher before her marriage.

Children:

1. Derrall Johns, b. 1927, Decatur, Ill.

2. Carroll Johns, b. 1929, Blue Mound, Ill.

3. Earl Johns, Jr., b. 1931, Blue Mound, Ill.

4. Romaine Johns, b. 1933, Blue Mound, Ill.

iii Dorothy.

b. 6/8-1901, Oakley, Ill.

m. 4/?-1920, Melvin Hoots, son of Edgar and Minnie Hoots.

Children:

1. Donald Hoots, b. 8/18-1921, Oakley, Ill.

2. Shirley Ann Hoots, 10/11-1931, Macon, Ill.

3. Beulah Louise Hoots, 3/3-1933, Macon, Ill.

iv Bertha.

b. 12/28-1903, Oakley, Ill.

m. 5/?-1924, Russell K. Shaffer.

Children:

1. Jean Shaffer, b. 6/23-1925, Decatur, Ill.

2. Jack Shaffer, b. 10/19-1927, Decatur, Ill.

3. Dean Shaffer, b. 2/19-1929, Decatur, Ill.

94 v Moses George, b. 3/3-1905. m. Edna Gerk.

vi John B., b. 4/19-1907 at Oakley. He is not married. He is a machinist employed with the A. E. Staley Manufacturing Co. in Decatur, and he resides with his parents on a farm, near Decatur.

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SAMUEL GEORGE⁵ NICKEY (Benjamin F.⁴, George³, George², Georg¹)

b. 3/22-1866, N. Middleton Twp. Cumberland Co. Penna.

m. (1) 1/29-1891, Annie E. Arnold of Lintner, Illinois. She d. 5/27-1905.

Children:

i Elvista M.

b. 6/1-1892.

d. 6/2-1912, in Colorado.

96 ii Carl A., b. 6/17-1895. m. Agnes Hulse.

Samuel George Nickey remained with his father, probably teaching school and farming his father's land until he reached his majority or perhaps until his father's death, 1889. He then went to Macon Co. Ill. and began teaching in the public schools at La Place. Two years later, he met, and married Annie E. Arnold of Lintner, Ill. To this union his two children, Elvista, and Carl A., were born.

In 1899 he felt constrained to serve his church—and was commissioned to the ministry at the famous Okaw Church in Piatt County, Ill., 12/19-1899. Six years later his wife Annie E. (Arnold) Nickey was taken in death. While located at Ellisville, Rev. Nickey met and married Susie N. Sheckler. This marriage, New Years Day, 1908.

The daughter, Elvista, needed a better climate, and the Nickeys came into Colorado. While serving a pastorate at Sterling, Colorado, his second wife, Susie (Sheckler) Nickey died, 6/4-1929.

His son, Carl, had been accidentally killed while helping a neighbor, at Haxtun, Colorado. His daughter, Elvista, had passed away in 1912. Without family, except two small grand-daughters and their mother, the widow of his son, Carl A., Rev. Nickey again married, inviting to share his home Mrs. Anna (Beidler) Wagoner of Carlilse, Penna., a minister's widow and a girlhood friend of his youth. They were married 6/27-1930.

Later Rev. and Mrs. Nickey moved to Colorado Springs, Colo. to retire. There they found a small church of their Faith. They accepted the pastorate of this church, where, says Rev. Nickey, "We are glad to serve in this capacity, not only for the advancement of the Kingdom, but also it gives us employment that we enjoy very much."

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HARRY WALTER NICKEY I (William Allison, David, Samuel, David, Georg) b. 1/29-1875, Irving, Illinois. m. 7/30-1901, Grace Duff, Springfield, Ill.

Children:

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i Mary Grace, b. 12/14-1902. She m. Delancy Davis 12/22-1928. Reside at Springfield, Ill.

ii Harry Walter II, b. 5/11-1911. m. 11/8-1929, Audrey Goldsby.

Harry Walter Nickey I has identified himself with the commercial and educational life of Springfield, Illinois. He owns and operates a well known dry-cleaning establishment in the city. He served as a Member of the School Board of the Springfield Public Schools from 1923 to 1929, etc. This family attends and is active in the First Christian Church of Springfield.

His lodge affiliations are: Masons, Commandery, Consistory, Shrine, Jesters and in addition he belongs to the Elk's Club, Optimist Club and Yacht Club all of Springfield, Illinois.

CHARLES WILLIAM⁶ NICKEY (William Allison⁵, David⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)

b. 11/4-1880, Irving, Illinois.

d. 11/27-1927, Chicago, Illinois. m. 12/25-1915, Ethel Colvin, Springfield, Ill.

Children:

i Jane, b. 11/5-1916. m. No.

He died on Thanksgiving Day, November 27, 1927, in General Hospital, Chicago, Illinois, as the result of a broken leg, and was taken to his former home in Springfield, Illinois, for burial. He was the owner of Nickey Auto Sales, Chicago, Illinois, which still bears that name seven years subsequent to his death.

ERNEST HIRAM⁶ NICKEY (William Allison⁵, David⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)

b. 11/1-1884, Irving, Illinois.

d. 7/30-1937, Springfield, Illinois.

m. 5/30-1913, Beulah Louiseau, Springfield, Ill.

Children:

i Marceline

b. 1/14-1914, Springfield, Ill.
m. 8/11-1937, Morton G. Caudle.
ii Ernest Hiram II, b. 12/5-1918, m. No.
iii Rene, b. 9/15-1920, Springfield, m. No.

This family resides in Springfield, Illinois.

For many years Ernest H. Nickey Sr. was employed by the Nickey Cleaning Plant. He belonged to the First Methodist Church, Springfield, Illinois.

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ALFRED J. NICKEY (David W. Samuel , Samuel , David , Georg)

b. 8/8-1865, Churubusco, Indiana.
d. 11/27-1930, Churubusco, Indiana.
m. 9/16-1899, Mildred Allen, Churubusco, Ind., dau. of Wesley W. and Emma (Harshbarger) Allen.

> He was educated in the public schools of Smith Tp., Whitley County, and M. E. College, Ft. Wayne. He owned and operated his own farm, near Churubusco. Since his death his wife has continued the farming and has reared the educated the children.

Children:

i Howard E., b. 11/24-1907. He is a Senior at Purdue University and will be graduated in the class of 1940, with a degree in engineering.

ii Isabella, b. 1/18-1910, Churubuxco, Ind. m. 11/27-1933, Robert B. Huber. Mr. Huber is Assistant Professor of Speech, and a coach in debate at Indiana University. He expects to be awarded the Ph. D. degree at Wisconsin University, 1940.

> Isabella Nickey Huber has majored in English and Journalism at Indiana University. She has entered the writing field. She says: "I have mainly rejection slips to prove my ability as a writer, but I have had luck in radio. The play 'Coral Beads', broadcast over WHAS, Louisville, was a major accomplishment as it was a thirty minute drama. Several of my poems have been read in the "Moon River" Program of WLW, Cincinnation I have sold several short stories, but that is a family secret as they have been sold to "pulp" magazines."

iii Robert Allen, b. 11/14-1914. He is being educated in technical aeronautics at Ft. Wayne. Home address, Churubusco, Indiana.

These children are of the seventh generation.

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Genealogical Table

SAMUEL MOSSMAN⁶ NICKEY, SR. (Addison Boyd⁵, Samuel II⁴, Samuel I³, David², Georg¹)

b. 8/9-1868, Allen Co., Ind.
 m. (1) 9/1-1892, Grace Darling Metsker, dau. of Louis F. and Clarissa (Nickey) Metsker of Churubusco, Ind. (q.v.) She d. 2/18-1909, Denver, Colorado.

Children:

i Eleanor Maximillia, b. 6/27-1893. (See under Clarissa Nickey.)

m. (2) 8/4-1910. Lois Frances Metsker. (See under Clarissa Nickey.)

Children:

100 ii Samuel Mossman, Jr.

b. 7/23-1912.

m. Elizabeth McKellar.

iii Lois Elizabeth

b. 12/6-1917, at Memphis, Tennessee.

m. 12/6-1938, Wilson Jeter Eason, son of Andrew Wilson and Mrs. Eason of Memphis. She was graduated from Mrs. Hutchinson's School at Memphis and studied two years in Randolph-Macon Woman's College. She is a member of Junior League, of the Royal Club of Memphis, and of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority. She is General Secretary of the Woman's Auxilliary of Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis. Mr. Eason is a practicing architect of Memphis. He received his training at Carnegie Insitute of Technology. He is a junior deacon of Second Presbyterian Church.

Samuel Mossman Nickey, Sr. is an industrialist engaged in the manufacture and export of lumber and veneer. As an industrialist his career is intimately associated with that of his father in the firm of Nickey and Sons. (See Addison Boyd Nickey). After his father's retirement, this son took over the manufacture of veneer. He is a member of the National Hardwood Assin.; of the National Veneer Assin.; and of the National Oak Flooring Assin. He is the operator of a model cotton plantation in Arkansas, across the Mississippi from Memphis, and active in promoting the cotton industry at Memphis.

He is interested in the Government Conservation Program. He is a sustaining member of the Tennessee Wildlife Federation, and a Director on the Board of Shelby Forest Park. He received his education in the common schools of Indiana and a few terms at the old Methodist College at Fort Wayne. He

has added to this by extensive travel. He is at home in most States of the Union. In 1909 he had bookings for himself and wife, Grace (Metsker) Nickey, for the first World Cruise on a luxury liner chartered for this purpose. Death called for the wife ere the start but he took his daughter, Eleanor. This afforded extensive travel in China, Japan, and India, at a time when war did not limit inland tours. He enjoyed inland tours in China even to the foot of Mt. Everest. He has had travel in Europe since, and has cruised the Carribean Sea and adjoining sections.

As an ardent fisherman, he spends a season each summer at Walloon Lake, Michigan, where for more than 30 years he has maintained a summer home and a fleet of motor and row boats.

He is an adherent of the Presbyterian Church and a Southern Conservative Democrat.



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WILLIAM ELLSWORTH NICKEY (Addison Boyd⁵, Samuel II⁴, Samuel I³, David², Georg¹)
b. 5/21-1875 Allen County, Indiana.

m. 12/26-1897 Nelle McMahan, dau. of William Reed and Elizabeth Luke (Meyer) McMahan of Huntingburg, Indiana. She is a graduate of Indiana University, and member of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority. She is member of Memphis Branch A.A.U.W. and a Director, now for many years, of the Porter and Leath Home, the largest Institution for Dependent Children in Memphis.

Children:

101 i William McMahan, b. 2/15-1904. m. Elizabeth Tayloe.

102 ii Addison Boyd II, b. 5/28-1907. m. Virginia Randolph Chears.

William Ellsworth Nickey, like his brother, Samuel Mossman Nickey, is an industrialist in the manufacture and export of lumber. His career, likewise, is told in the story of Addison Boyd Nickey (q.v.). He now controls the Green River Lumber Company, Memphis, Tenn., and his sons are associated with him. He also became a planter and operates a cotton-growing enterprise at Hughes, Arkansas. As a sportsman his hobby is hunting. He is an Elder of Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis. He affiliates with the Republican political party.





"Boxwood Manor", the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William Ellsworth Nickey, of Memphis, Tennessee. The Memphis Chamber of Commerce selected this residence as typical of the City's domestic architecture, and had a photograph of it hung in the Tennessee Building of the New York World's Fair, 1939.

It is strictly Southern Colonial in architectural style. It is constructed entirely of cedar, except for the walnut paneling in the large living-room.

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58 CHRISTIAN DAVID⁶ NICKEY (John David⁵, Christian⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)

b. 12/3-1855, near Union City, Randolph County, Indiana

m. ---(after 1776), Mary Catherine Shull of Browersville, Minnesota

He became a R. R. conductor and resided at Millrose, Minnesota.

59 WILLIAM ADDISON⁶ NICKEY (John David⁵, Christian⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)

b. 10/15-1862, near Union City, Randolph County, Indiana

---- Elizabeth ? in Browersville, Minnesota. The last name of m. the woman he married is not known. He became a farmer near Staples, Minn.

Children:

i Orville

---- He became a pharmacist. He was on the staff of the McKesson Wholesale Drug Company of Seattle at the time of his death in 1938.

HARRISON D.6 NICKEY (John David⁵, Christian⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)

b. 12/10-1863, near Union City, Randolph County, Indiana

m. ----(after 1776), Cora Goodman. He resided at Browersville and became

President of the Browersville Bank. Later he removed to Harlem, Montana, where he now resides.

Children:

i Lorenzo

b. ---- He is a pharmacist.

ii Guy

b. --- He is employed as a sales manager.

iii Sylvia

b. ---- She is a nurse.

61 SAMUEL WILLSON⁶ NICKEY (John David⁵, Christian⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)

b. 10/18-1872, near Union City, Randolph County, Indiana

m. 3/?-1902, Edith Alberta Gunderson, dau. of Ausloc and Thera Gunderson of Wisconsin. She was a teacher in the Public Schools. Samuel Nickey and his bride settled at Long Prairie, Minnesota.

Children.

99 i John Malcolm

b. 4/4-1903, at Long Prairie, Minnesota

m. --- Mabel Witty

ii Barbara Vivian

b. 8/19-1904, Portal, North Dakota

m. 11/29-1929, Albert E. Pace, son of James M. and Naomi (Brock) Pace of Flatrock, North Carolina. He was b. 2/8-1904. He was graduated from Gallatin County (Montana) H. S. and attended Montana State College (technical) at Bozeman. He is an excellent football player. For fourteen years he has been connected with the Mountain States Tel. and Tel. Company as electrical combination man. He is a member of Masonic Lodge No. 6, Bozeman, Montana.

Children:

- 1. Geraldine Dorothy Pace b. 12/19-1930
- 2. Naomi Alberta Pace b. 3/1-1932
- 3. Herbert Conrad Pace b. 6/30-1935

Mrs. Pace (Barbara Vivian Nickey) received her grade school and secondary school education at Medicine Lake, Montana, where her father was engaged in one or several business activities of that town. (See "Story" of Samuel W. Nickey) She was graduated from the State Teachers' College, North Dakota, at Minot. She majored in Art. For seven years following, she taught in grade schools in Idaho, Montana, and North Dakota.

Yielding to the business urge inherited from her father, in 1939 she began creating Western Art decorative painting for dude ranches, high schools, colleges, and outing resorts. These range from murals and other wall decorations to scrapbooks and smaller mementos. Her youngest brother, Samuel V. (q.v.), is her partner, and acts as salesman. They cover the states of Colorado, Wyoming, and Montana. They are doing well.

iii Cecil Gunderson

b. 12/4-1905, at Portal, North Dakota

m. He is unmarried. He received his education in Medicine Lake, Montana, and Portal, North Dakota. He was graduated from high school. Then he gave his attention to farming. He resides with his parents and farms their homestead at Portal. This town is in the northwest corner of North Dakota and is on the line between this State and Canada. In fact, a part of the town is on Canadian soil and is named North Portal.

iv Samuel Vincent

b. 3/23-1914, Medicine Lake, Montana

m. He has not married. He was graduated from high school in Portal, North Dakota. He received no special art training, but paints western scenes: cowboys, ponies, Indians, etc. He acts as salesman for his sister with whom he resides at Bozeman.

SAMUEL WILLSON NICKEY

This, the youngest child of John David Nickey of Browersville, Minnesota, exhibits in a lively way many of the traits of his grandfather, Christian Nickey of Randolph County, Indiana--not in affairs of the heart, however. Christian married at age 20, but Samuel W. married late, at age 30. Thus he had a longer youth which he used in acquiring an education and in youthful sports, as well as in travel and in teaching.

He is a graduate of the Payton Business School of Minneapolis. This School (now absorbed into the University of Minnesota School of Business and Administration) developed the nationally known "Payton System of Penmanship". Samuel W. Nickey is, today, a pen-artist. But in 1940, it is a "lost art", when the business man who cannot use a typewriter must spend his dollars to employ a typist, when the infant school children are encouraged to use a typewriter and do not learn the script alphabet until the third or fourth grade.

Samuel W. Nickey was a school teacher, brakeman, and baseball player. He played in the North Dakota League Team (State picked) in the Dakotas, Montana, and Canada. He had a trunk full of autographed baseballs, as for every game won, the players were presented with an autographed baseball. The crowd used to cheer and throw down money for home runs.

He homesteaded a choice farm, and his wife, one adjoining it at Portal,

North Dakota. On these they reside today. Their house is on the wife's land,
the barn on his.

He invested in other farms, both in Montana and North Dakota. But, as they were investments, he sold them again. While residing in Medicine Lake, Montana he owned and operated simultaneously a livery establishment and a meat market.

At present, near Portal, he owns valuable coal beds. These are leased by the Truax-Trayer Collieries, the most extensive "strip mining" Company in the world.

As western men are apt to be, he is reticent. This data is furnished by his only daughter. He seems to possess a quality markedly noticeable in many Nickey men in this BOOK, i.e., of inspiring in their daughters a profound devo-

tion and respect in spite of firmness and exacting methods with them. It seems engendered in a Nickey attitude of considerate tenderness and protection toward their female offspring.

In bringing his young children through the public schools, Samuel W. insisted on hearing them "recite" their lessons to him each evening. And so firm was this insistence that, should the teachers rule against taking school books home, his children would hide them out in order to do their lessons with father.

"He is a great business man," writes his daughter. "He is a great talker, and knows the whys and wherefores of politics. He has been Chairman of the Republican Central Committee (North Dakota) for many years. He has a keen mind and is a great checkers player. He should play in a Championship Tournament, for I have never heard of anyone beating him." she adds.

He is not interested in the Church. He belongs to Medicine Lake Lodge, I.O.O.F.

Genealogical Table

JOHN CHRISTIAN⁶ NICKEY (James Henry⁵, Christian⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)
b. 1/9-1860, Winchester, Randolph Co., Ind.
m. 1884, Martha Shoemaker. She d. 10/3-1891. He resided at Ridgeville, Indiana.

Children:

i Gale, b. 3/4-1885. He m. Olive Waltz.

MARION VENTURE NICKEY (James Henry , Christian Samuel , David Georg)

b. 11/16-1861, Winchester, Indiana.
d. 12/16-1889, Winchester.
m. 3/25-1886, Ida Elura Shierling. She was b. 10/3-1868. She continued to reside at Winchester where she brought up her son, on her farm.

Children:

i Ernest Leo, b. 8/10-1889.

ELMER DORCY⁶ NICKEY (John Henry⁵, Christian⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)
b. 12/20-1866, Winchester, Indiana
m. 7/31-1889, Ida Alice Clark.

They removed to Traverse City, Michigan.

Children:

i Henry McClellan, b. 11/28-1895. d.y. ii Ivan Dorcy, b. 10/18-1896.

iii Paul E., b. 9/3-1906.

HENRY ALLEN⁶ NICKEY (John Henry⁵, Christian⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹) b. 2/1-1874, Winchester, Indiana. m. 10/24-1896, Mary Ellen Conklin. b. 1/28-1876. d. 10/21-1900.

They removed to Dayton Ohio.

Children:

i Mildred, b. 12/3-1897. ii Marjorie, b. 2/5-1900.



MONTFORD U.6 NICKEY (Allen Skillman⁵, Jacob⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)

b. 6/7-1865 near Churubusco, Ind.

m. 10/11-1893, Elma Gertrude Prilliman, dau. of Joseph and Jane Prilliman, of Tipton Ind. At the time of her marriage she was Assistant to the County Recorder of Tipton County. Montford U. Nickey, from an attack of spinal meningitis when an infant was left a deaf-mute. He was educated at the Indiana State Institution for deaf-mutes at Indianapolis, where he excelled in natural acumen. As a young man he was employed by his father, Dr. Allen S. Nickey, at the grain-elevator at Elizaville. From Elizaville he moved to Kirklin, where he was employed in his father's flouring-mill. From Kirklin he removed with his father to Tipton where his father had installed the first electric light plant, and had erected a big flour-mill. Montford Nickey worked in the light-plant while his father owned it, and continued working for the City of Tipton for three years after they purchased it. From Tipton he and his brother Charles Franklin, (q. v.) ran the electric-light plant there. From Clay City he returned to Tipton County where he farmed for his father for several years, and, later, managed his own land. At present he has retired.

Children:

i Lucille

b. 1/23-1895.

m. (1) 12/22-1916, Cloyd Mason Vore, son of E. G. Vore of Kokomo, Ind. He was b. 12/1-1894. He d. 4/6-1936. He was

an artist and advertising manager.

- m. (2) 8/10-1939, Hubert Parkinson, son of Callie Parkinson of Muncie, Ind. Hubert Parkinson (Bob), was former City Controller of Muncie, and served on the City Council. At present he is a member of the State Housing Committee, and is a prominent figure in State and City politics. He was b. in 1887. Previous to her late marrige, Lucille (Nickey) Parkinson was engaged at Ball Stores of Muncie, where she was assistant buyer of ladies-ready-to-wear apparel. She had charge of the style shows, and managed the sports-wear department.
- ii Joseph Allen b. 2/22-1898. d. 4/16-1899.
- iii George Orris b. 3/3-1899. d. 1/7-1900.
- iv Martha Pauline
 - b. 1/13-1902.
 m. She has not married. She is employed at the Maxwell C. Lang manufacturing Jewelry Company of Indianapolis. This Company specializes in manufacture of sorority and fraternity pins, and jewelry. In 1936-1937 she was with Swartchild and Company, the world's largest wholesale jewelry supply-house. She is an expert mechanic and does both watch and jewelry work. From 1926-1929 she owned and operated The Nickey Music Shoppe of Tipton, Ind. The building was destroyed by fire, 1929. After that she joined the William H. Block Company at Indianapolis, in charge of the jewelry repairs. From there she was engaged in Chicago and thence to her present position.

v Jacob Nickey II

b. 6/15-1913.

m. Margaret Elizabeth Bambrough.

CHARLES FRANKLIN⁶ NICKEY (Allen Skillman⁵, Jacob⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)

b. 12/31-1869, near Churubusco, Indiana.

m. 2/23-1893, Rosa May Parsons, at Frankfort, Indiana.

She was b. 2/17-1874, at Frankfort.

Charles Franklin was reared, from infancy, by his grandparents, Frederick and Nellie (Bennet) Reed because of his mother's death. He was educated in the public schools of Whitley County, Indiana, near Churubusco, where the grandparents resided.

By 1883, his father, Allen S. Nickey, had been graduated from the Indiana Medical School at Indianapolis, and was practicing medicine and surgery at Elizaville, Boone County, Indiana. Besides, he owned and operated a flouring mill at Elizaville. Here he brought his son, Charles Franklin, and started him on his business education by working in this mill. When, later, this mill burned, Dr. Nickey built a new one at Kirkline, Indiana. Charles Franklin and his brother Montford operated the Kirkline mill, then bought it of their father. Upon this change, Dr. Nickey built a new and larger mill at Tipton, Indiana. His sons sold out and joined him at Tipton. They expanded their business by building and installing the first electric-light plant at Tipton. Charles Franklin operated this plant until 1893, becoming efficient in mechanical engineering in a practical way. In 1895 he went to Clay City, where he has since resided. Here he installed an electric-light plant, which he operated for 23 years, up to the time his company sold out to the Northern Indiana Power and Light Company.

Charles Franklin, now, joined the Maumee Collieries Company, principal offices at Terre Haute. He is Head Machinist and Mechanic and directs a staff of 18 to 30 men. He resides at Clay City, Indiana.

In his home town he is Councilman of the First Ward, and Director of the Town Water Works, under construction. He says: "I am a Democrat in national politics, but in local affairs I try to get the best man."

Children:

i Mary Ruth

b. 4/19-1894, at Mellott, Fountain Co., Ind.

m. 10/11-1915, Ernest J. Church. They reside at Rushville, Indiana.

Children:

1. Paul Ernest Church, b. 1/16-1917.

2. Ruth Nickey Church, b. 7/17-1920.

3. Mildred Hrlene Church, b. 2/15-1922.

104 ii Carl Allen

b. 2/23-1897.

m. Ethel Susan Biggs of Brazil, Ind.

iii Lola Eugene

b. 7/23-1899 at Clay City, Ind. She m. 10/4-1917, Cecil Aaron Wiggins of St. Louis, Missouri.

Children:

1. Charles Aaron Wiggins, b. 7/23-1924 at Springfield, Ohio. 2. Cathryn Ann Wiggins, b. at Clay City, Ind.

iv Edith Ampere

b. 8/16-1901, at Clay City. Ind.

m. 1/1-1930 Stanley Holdefer.
No children.

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PAUL ERNEST⁶ NICKEY (Allen Skillman⁵, Jacob, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)
b. Sept. 1883.
d. Feb. 1920, at Tipton, Ind.
m. 8/19-1906, Lulu Mae Glass of Tipton.

Children:

1. Bessie Cathryn, b. Sept. 1914. She is not married.

Lulu Mac (Glass) Nickey has since married, and her name, Aiken, has been adopted by the daughter, i.e. Bessie Cathryn Aiken.

69 LAN H. NICKEY

The battle of a high-minded, dreaming, but obstinate, son of the Middle West against the practical perversities of human procedure makes an unique story. It carries many pointers as to the ways of American life, and reads well, especially in his own words.

His mother died when he was ll. His father did not marry again, but brought up his six children with his own firm, but gentle, hand. He relied on Inez, his oldest child, then 13, to act as head housekeeper, and on all his children to co-operate with him in the home-making. Thus they became resourceful, and individualists, in a rather marked degree. They were reared as active members of the United Brethren Church, at Churubusco, four miles distant from their farm home, before the days of the auto make this mileage insignificant. But they were leaders in the Church and community life and seemed not to notice their handicaps. This explanation will light up much in Lan H. Nickey's story. His mother christened him "Lan", a short for Landon, a branch of the Mossman Family, a famous son of which ran for President of the United States, in 1936, against Franklin Delano Roosevelt. (See the Mossman-Landon Chart, included for its interest to many.)

Lan says: "I think you recall my earlier life; raised on a farm; converted in a revival conducted by J. A. Tedrow at the old U. B. Church, before my mother died; active in young peoples' (church) work; President of Churubusco C. E. Union; attended Y. P. C. U. conventions at Waterloo, Ind., and Delta, Ohio; completed grade school, some high school; completed (1900-1901) the commercial course at Valparaiso University (college, then); worked for A. B. Nickey & Son's Lumber Co., at Princeton, Ind., (1904-1905); back to farm; salesman for the Singer Manufacturing Co., nearly two years, in Columbia City, Ind.; married 1907; daughter born 1908."

This middle west work-program was diversified by membership in a local guitar-mandolin club, and by a three-months' trip, in 1902-1903 to the Pacific Coast, in which he visited Seattle, Tacoma, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Yuma, El Paso, Pueblo, and Denver. He went by ship from Tacoma to San Francisco,

experienced a storm at sea, and a ship stuck on a sand bank; and in Denver, with the help of Denver musicians, he and some other members of the Guitar and Mandolin Club of Churubusco, Ind. who were also in Denver at the time, staged a Western Dance Program of entertainment!!

In 1913, being now 32 years old, he decided to break with the Middle West. He continues:

"I came west in 1913, and again in 1914; last time I stayed; located on unsurveyed Government land in Dawson Co., Montana; still live on same land (two sections) as a cattle and horse rancher; active in many battles that occur in a newly settled country to locate schools, roads, county seats, etc.; Garfield County (my county) formed from west part of Dawson in 1919; Jordan chosen county seat, in 1919."

"I was elected (a charter member) a Director and Secretary-Treasurer of Smoky Butte National Farm Law Association; quit the secretaryship in 1926, but served as President until the association united with Miles City Association in 1939; by a county-wide election the Garfield County High School was founded in 1928; I was appointed Trustee at once and still hold the place; elected Secretary of the Board of Trustees, soon, and have been re-lected each year, including 1939; as paymaster and bookkeeper, clerk, etc.; have paid out well over \$200,000.00 in different funds; the school owns a \$95,000.00 plant and is up to date with its band, orchestra, ball-teams, etc.

"The new State highway--third main one to cross the State--goes through our ranch, cutting distance to Jordan to 16 miles which I motor over to work in town; control only two sections of land now, but there is range I could use, three miles south and as far north; cannot farm, keep up several miles of fence, wrangle horses every morning, ride the range to not lose stock; have lost considerable and two valuable horses are away somewhere now; cattle on range disappear in bog-holes, or stray, and some are slaughtered".

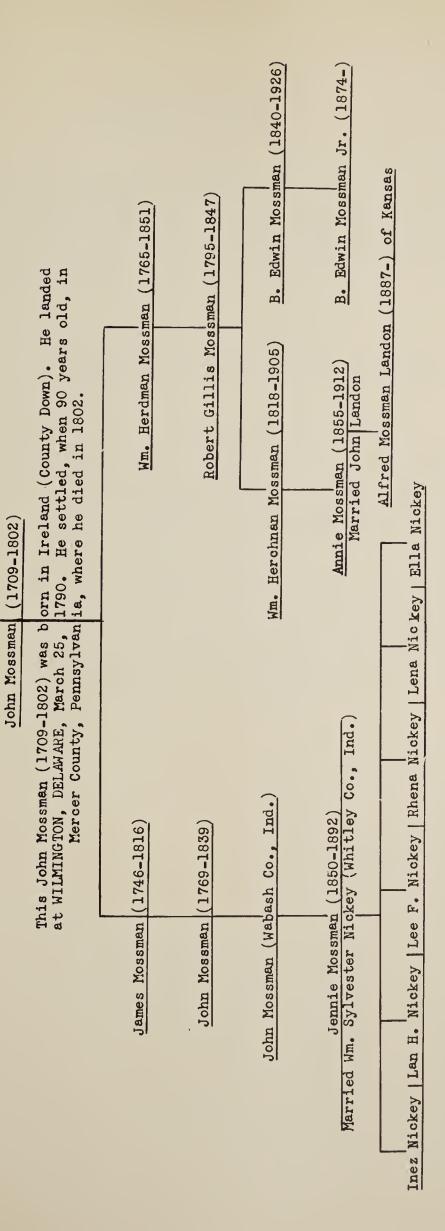
"The Ft. Peck Dam was thought about completed, but the big disaster last fall delayed its completion; where we cross the ferry to Glassgow the lake

is now 2 miles wide; if it holds, the lake will be more than 70 miles long; you may have heard by radio about Jordan's third flood disaster; the town was flooded twice last year by cloudbursts and breaking dams; this spring a completed earth and cement dam only $l\frac{1}{2}$ miles above Jordan, on Big Dry Creek, broke and let a 2 mile-long lake loose on the town; winter ice 22 inches thick came down, while the big thaw turned to zero while the flood was on."

"Louise, my daughter," he concludes, "wants us to give up this location and go any place else, which is easier for her to say than for us to do. I hope to stick around in Western part of Montana some place, or Southern Alaska, if I get a chance. We have lots of nice people here, good-looking and well-dressed, in spite of being in an inland country. It gradually dawns on me I have stayed here too long to get a start anywhere else."

"As I recall my life in Whitley County and compare it with this life on the plains the life East was full of abundance and ease, this life full of uncertainty and hardship. But I would not be young again unless I could know what I know now."





NICKEY - MOSS MAN - LANDON

This data was furnished to B. Paul Mossman, of Fort Wayne, Ind., by Dr. B. Edwin Mossman Jr. of Youngstown, Ohio.



Sixth Generation

Genealogical Table

69 LAN H.6 NICKEY (William Sylvester⁵, Jacob⁴, Samuel³, David², Georg¹)

b. 2/17-1881, near Churubusco, Indiana.

m. 2/27-1907, Anna Rozella McClain, dau. of Hugh Stewart and Mary E.

(Coverstone) McClain of Smith Twp., Whitley Co., Ind. Anna Rozella's grandmother was Sarah (Briggs) McClain, a sister of Elizabeth (Briggs)

Nickey, the first wife of Jacob Nickey, the grandfather of Lan H.

Nickey, the subject of this sketch. She was b. 3/2-1881, near Collins, Indiana.

Children:

i Louise

b. 6/30-1908, Columbia City, Indiana.
 m. (1) 8/4-1930, Guy Clifford Haynes, in Montana. She divorced him in 1934.

Children:

- 1. Resemary Nickey Haynes, b. 3/18-1934.
- m. (2) 11/27-1935, Richard G. Grant, son of Christopher and Blanche Grant, of Elmira, N. Y., who was a mechanical engineer engaged on a P. W. A. project, the Fort Peck Dam, near Glassgow, Montana, where they then continued to reside. He received his engineering training at Carnegie Institute of Technology. She received her college education at the University of Montana, where she majored in Art, and specialized in Commercial Art. She is a member of the social sorority Delta Delta Delta. In her senior year she was a member of the editorial attach of the "Sentinel", the University year book, and made many of the illustrations. They returned to Elmira, N. Y. in 1937, and then he accepted a position in the power plant of the Corning Glass Works. They reside in Corning, and are members of the Corning Presbyterian Church.



Sixth Generation

DIVISION TWO

Sixth Generation, Division Two Genealogical Table

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BYRON<sup>6</sup> NICKEY (John M.<sup>5</sup>, Jacob<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Georg<sup>1</sup>)

b. ----
m. (1) ----, Mellie Klinedienst

Children:
    i John
    b. ----
m. (2) ----, Emma Luckenbaugh

Children:
    ii Grace
        b. ----
m. ----, Beulah Albright

Children:
    i Lester
    b. ----
ii Ruth
    b. ----

ii Ruth
    b. -----
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- 72 WILLIAM H. 6 NICKEY (Granville S. 5, Jacob 4, John 3, John 2, Georgl)
- b. 2/14-1883, Hanover, Pennsylvania
 m. (1) 3/1-1903, Abbie Sneeringer. She d. in childbirth, 7/1-1904.
 - m. (2) 11/25-1905, Myrtle Wagener. She was b. 7/11-1886. He resides at Hanover and is a molder by trade. He is a member of Trinity Reformed Church, Hanover, and of the Knights of Pythias.
- 73 PHILIP A.6 NICKEY (Granville S.5, Jacob⁴, John³, John², Georg¹)

 b. 12/8-1889, Hanover, Pennsylvania
 - ---- Bessie Goulder. She was b. 9/13-1891. He is a machinist. He is a member of K.P. and of the Trinity Reformed Church in Hanover where he resides.

Children:

- 105 i Donald
 - b. 9/21-1910
 - ---- Cordelia Carr
- 105ª ii Kenneth
 - b. 11/9-1912
 - m. ----, Elizabeth Wallace
 - iii Kathleen
 - b. 3/29-1915
 - 6/26-1937, Roger Stahl. He is employed in a jute yarn mill. She is employed in a silk mill of Hanover. They are members of St. Mathew's Lutheran Church of Hanover.
 - iv Robert
 - b. 11/10-1917. He resides at Hanover and is a machinist.
 - v Betty A.
 - b. 6/24-1923. She is still in high school. She belongs to Emanuel Reformed Church.
- JOHN A.6 NICKEY (Granville S.5, Jacob4, John3, John2, Georg1) b. 3/13-1892, Hanover, Pennsylvania
 - m. 11/?-1914, Hattie Kellenberger. She was b. 5/29-1893. He resides at Hanover and is a machinist. The three foregoing sons of Granville S. have worked in these since in their teens. They are steady, reliable
 - Children:
 - i Hattie Louise
 - b. 5/10-1915. She is a graduate of Hood College. She teaches home economics. She is a communicant of Trinity Reformed Church.
- ROBERT S.6 NICKEY (Granville S.5, Jacob⁴, John³, John², Georg¹)

 b. 6/22-1896, Hanover, Pennsylvania

 m. ---- 1931, Beulah Shaffer. She was b. 2/14-1898. He resides at Hanover and is a carrier of United States mails, i.e. in the Civil Service. He belongs to Trinity Reformed Church, B.P.O.E., Knights of Pythias, and the American Legion. (His World War service is in the summary.)
 - Children:
 - i Robert S., Jr., b. 8/14-1934
 - ii Edward S., b. 4/14-1936

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80 FRANK⁶ NICKEY (Daniel⁵, Henry⁴, John³, John², Georg¹)

b. 2/7-1880, Franklin Grove, Illa
m. June, 1903, Maude Macdonald.

He has no children.

He is a Sales Representative of Chinaware and resides at Elmhurst, Illinois. He is a communicant of the Episcopalian Church.

DANIEL EDGAR⁶ NICKEY II (Daniel Edgar⁵, Henry L.⁴, John³, John², Georg¹)

b. 12/25-1887, at Woodland, Illinois.

m. (1) 6/16-1914, Rith Sheveland. She d. in Dec. 1918.

Children:

- i Daniel Jr.
 b. 6/6-1916, at Chicago, Illinois.
 ii Robert
 b. 2/17-1918, at Chicago, Illinois.
- m. (2) 9/9-1920, Myrtle Schneider.

Daniel Jr. is now a High School graduate, and likes mechanics.

Robert is also graduated from High School, but prefers clerical work. Both boys are fond of music.

Daniel Edgar II is engaged in the lumber business, in Chicago, where he resides.

Genealogical Tables

82 CLINTON DAVID NICKEY (Andrew⁵, Henry⁴, John³, John², Georg¹.)
b. 7/1-1875, Columbia, Penna.
m. 1/10-1901, Isabella Kennedy Hamilton. She was b. at Whitingbay,
Isle of Arran, Scotland, 3/26-1875 They were married in Chicago, Ill.

Children:

i Elmer Clinton, b. 3/24-1902. d. 12/2-1905. Chicago, Ill.

ii Stuart King, b. 3/13-1904, Chicago, Ill.

iii Helen Elizabeth,

b. 3/16-1908, Chicago

m. 11/14-1936, Charles George Gauger, at Glen Ellyn, Ill. He was b. 10/2-1907, at Wheaton, Ill.

Children:

1. Charles Clinton Gauger, b. 6/11-1938, at Glen Ellyn, Ill.

Clinton D. Nickey is a business man of Chicago, a public accountant. He was graduated from Beloit College. He is a communicant of First M. E. Church, Glen Ellyn, Ill. His children, Stuart King Nickey and Helen (Nickey) Gauger are graduates of Glenbard High School, Glen Ellyn, Ill. Stuart is not married.

Genealogical Table

CLYDE HARVEY 6 NICKEY (Franklin Pierce⁵, Henry⁴, John³, John², Georg¹)
b. 3/4-1875, at Paw Paw, Illinois.

d. 2/?-1938, at Monterey Park, California.

m. 3/1-1899, Callie Carver, dau. of Washington Irving and Emily Frances Carver, of Reedsburg, Wisconsin. She d. 11/8-1901.

Children:

105 i Franklin Pierce II, b. 11/8-1901. m. Mary Frances Gowdy.

Clyde Harvey Nickey received a High School education. After 1900 he removed to the Pacific Coast and settled at Monterey Park, where he engaged in the plumbing business. He adhered to the Republican party, in politics. Like the general run of Nickeys he was not a public office-seeker, and he belonged to no church.

Sixth Generation

DIVISION THREE



Genealogical Table

HERSCHEL BROWNING⁶ NICKEY (William H.⁵, William⁴, David³, George⁸, Georg¹)

b. 4/24-1898, at Oakley, Ill.

m. 5/19-1923, Grace Viola Lehman, dau. of Levi and Matrona Lehman. She was b. 8/22-1900. Herschel Browning Nickey is engaged in general farming near Oakley, Ill. No children.

84^b GEORGE WILLIAM⁶ NICKEY (William H.⁵, William⁴, David³, George², Georg¹)

b. 3/17-1908, Oakley, Ill. b. 3/17-1908, Oakley, Ill.

m. 6/18-1929, Gladys Rebecca Massey. She is the dau. of Arthur and Grace Massey, and was born 4/18-1909.

George William Nickey is a Post Office Clerk, in Evanston, Ill. They reside at Glenview, Ill. No children.

Genealogical Table

HARRY E.⁶ NICKEY (David⁵, John⁴, David³, George², Georg¹)

b. 3/20-1898, Oakley, Illinois

3/20-1898, Oakley, Illinois 3/6-1929, Pearl McDonald, dau. of William and Ida McDonald of Cerro Gordo, Illinois.

Children:

i Harold David Nickey

b. 10/3-1930, Oakley, Illinois

Harry E. Nickey is a farmer at Oakley. Associated with him are his brothers, David Jr. and Kenneth, who have not yet married. They belong to the United Brethren Church. Their mother, Emma (Baker) Nickey is the head of this clan.

86 WILLIAM RHEA⁶ NICKEY (John McCoy⁵, Simon P.⁴, David³, George², Georg¹)

B. ---- 1888, Rathdrum, Idaho (in the Idaho "panhandle" near the Canadian border).

---m.

Following in the tradition of his father and grandfather and not to be outdone by them, William Rhea Nickey continued to push westward. He settled in Ketchikan, Alaska, where he is proprietor of the Olympia Market and Bakery. He has no children.

87 SIMON P.6 NICKEY (John McCoy⁵, Simon P.⁴, David³, George², Georg¹) b. ---- 1891, Rathdrum, Idaho m. ----

Simon P. Nickey pushed still further west, into southern Oregon, and now resides at Roseburg. One may well imagine that he owns rose gardens and grows his flowers for the barren uplands eastward. He has no children.

88 DAVID MAURICE NICKEY (Samuel Hoff David George George George) b. 1/14-1885, near Westminster, Maryland M. ----

David Maurice Nickey resides in Baltimore, Maryland. He has four sons and three daughters.

Genealogical Table

89 PAUL A.6 NICKEY (Amos J.5, Benjamin Franklin4, George3, George1) b. 12/31-1883, at Oakley, Illinois. m. 8/19-1908, Nora Musselman, dau. of Aaron Musselman. She was b. 11/14-1886.

107 i Paul Mark, b. 5/3-1910. m. Marion Wallner. ii Roger Amos, b. 11/19-1922.

iii Constance Patricia, b. 3/19-1931.

Rev. Paul Nickey's two sons have had, or are having, college education. The daughter is still in grade school.

He was ordained to the ministry of the Church of the Brethren in 1907. He has held pastorates at Kearney, Nebraska; Hancock, Minnesota, Monticello, Minnesota; and at Big Lake, Minnesota. From September 1933 to January 1935 he was appraiser for the Federal Land Bank. He resides at Monticello, Minnesota.

Sixth Generation - Third Division

Genealogical Table, Division Three

Sixth Generation

91 JAY FRANK⁶ NICKEY (John H.⁵, Benjamin F.⁴, George³, George², Georg¹)

b. 3/8-1891, at Allen, Cumberland Co. Penna.

m. 8/?-1923, Edna Straw. He now resides in Carlisle, Penna., where he is employed in the Bedford Shoe Company. He was educated in the public schools and graduated from Carlisle Commercial College.

J. Frank Nickey served in the World War, over seas, in Company L. of the 111th Infantry. He was Corporal for fifteen months. No children.

92 C. ARTHUR⁶ NICKEY(John H.⁵, Benjamin F.⁴, George³, George², Georg¹)
b. 10/13-1895, Allen, Cumberland Co. Penna.
m. 4/2-1921, Blanche Ruhl.

Children:

i Betty Jane, b. 7/5-1922.

She is a Senior in the Mechanicsburg High School, and Editor-in-Chief of the High School Paper. She is a member of the church, United Brethren in Christ.

C. Arthur Nickey received a public school education, and chose to be a mechanic. He is in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and resides at Mechanicsburg.

JOHN 0.6 NICKEY (John H.5, Benjamin F.4, George³, George², Georg¹)

b. 7/24-1898, Allen, Cumberland Co. Penna.

m. 11/?-1925, Gladys Hertzler.

John O. Nickey received his public school education in Carlisle. He was graduated from Harrisburg Business College. He is, at present, employed as Sales Manager of the Jackson Manufacturing Co. of Harrisburg, Penna. He resides at Mechanicsburg. He has no children.

Genealogical Table

MOSES GEORGE NICKEY (Moses A. 5, Benjamin F. 4, George 3, George 2, Georg 1) b. 3/3-1905, Oakley, Illinois.
m. 6/?-1929, Edna Gerk, dau. of Godfrey Gerk of Decatur, Illinois. Children:

i Moses George, Jr., b. 1930, Decatur, Illinois. ii Joan, b. 1931, Decatur, Illinois. iii Joyce, b. 1933, Decatur, Illinois.

He is a graduate of Eastern Illinois State Teachers! College at Charleston, Illinois. He is a Democrat in his political affiliations, and a supporter, generally, of such philanthropic organizations as Red Cross, etc.

CARL A.6 NICKEY (Samuel George⁵, Benjamin F.⁴, George³, George², Georg¹) 96 b. 6/17-1895, at Cerro Gordo, Illinois.
d. 10/30-1924, at Haxtun, Colorado.
m. 5/18-1918, Agnes Hulse, at Haxtun, Colorado. b. 5/10-1898. Children: i Edith Marie b. 6/18-1919. Anna Mae b. 12/1-1922.

> Edith Marie is a student at McPherson College, Kansas and is majoring in chemistry. Anna Mae is a Senior in the High School at Sterling, Colorado.

Seventh Generation

Division One



Seventh Generation

Genealogical Table

HARRY WALTER NICKEY, II, (Harry Walter I6, William Allison5, David4, Samuel3, David², Georg¹)
b. 5/29-1911, Springfield, Illinois.
m. 11/8-1929, Audrey Goldsby, Springfield, Ill.

Children:

i Harry Walter III, b. 4/15-1931.
ii Anita Jo, b. 4/19-1934.
d. 5/23-1939 from a fatal injury received by an automobile.

This family resides in Springfield, Illinois.

He is Assistant Manager of the Harry W. Nickey Cleaner, Springfield, Illinois. The family are all members of the First Christian Church of Springfield, Illinois. Member of Springfield Lodge No. 4, A. F. & A. M. Also member of the Alumni Society, Kappa Chapter of National Association Institute of Dyers & Cleaners.

Seventh Generation, Division One

Genealogical Table

SAMUEL MOSSMAN NICKEY, JR. (Samuel M. Sr. 6, Addison B. 5, Samuel II⁴, Samuel I³,

David², Georg¹)

b. 7/23-1912, Memphis, Tennessee.
 m. 4/19-1938, Elizabeth Concord McKellar, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Clinton McKellar of Memphis and niece of U.S. Senator McKellar of Tennessee.

Children:
i Samuel V, b. 12/27-1938, Memphis, Tennessee.

He was prepared in the University School, of Memphis, and entered Davidson College. He was graduated 6/5-1934. As an undergraduate at Davidson, he majored in chemistry. He was active in Boys' Camps and social work in regions adjacent to the College. He is a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. On finishing college, he was installed in his father's lumber business, as Vice-President in charge of foreign export. In this capacity he has visited European countries a number of times, and made an extensive business survey of Mexico and the South American States, in 1938, traveling by air, and making contacts with official and business men in many of the capitals. He is deeply interested in wildlife conservation.

In June, 1939, the Governor of Tennessee appointed him, with four others to a State Board, to be known as the <u>Tennessee Conservation Commission</u>. Young Nickey has been elected Secretary of this Commission. He is, still, interested in boy's club work being chairman of the Memphis "Man for Boy" department of the Memphis Y. M. C.A.

Elizabeth Concord McKellar, his wife, was graduated from Miss Hutchinson's School of Girls, and studied at the University of Tennessee. She is a member of the Junior League.

Seventh Generation, Division One

Genealogical Table

WILLIAM McMAHAN NICKEY (William E. 6, Addison B. 5, Samuel II4, Samuel I3, David², Georg¹) b. 2/15-1904, Huntingburg, Ind.

m. 10/15-1927, Elizabeth Tayloe, dau. of George Green and Nellie (Kreider) Tayloe of Memphis. Elizabeth is the niece of Nellie Tayloe Ross, former Governor of Wyoming, and now Director of the U. S. Mints. She attended the Cathedral School, washington, D.C..

Children:

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Member Junior League.

i William McMahan II, b. 6/3-1929, Memphis, Tenn. ii George Tayloe, b. 1/13-1931, Memphis, Tenn.

He was educated in Memphis University School, in Ashville School for Boys, and at Wabash College. He is a member of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity, and Kit-Kat Club (dramatics). He owns a cotton-plantation at Laconia, Arkansas. His favorite sport is tennis. He is a Presbyterian, and a Republican.

ADDISON BOYD7 NICKEY II (William E. 6, Addison B. 5, Samuel II4. Samuel I3, David², Georg¹)

b. 5/28-1907, Princeton, Indiana.

m. 3/22-1938, Virginia Randolph Chears, dau. of Henry Randolph and Lillian (Adams) Chears of Memphis, Tenn.

Children:

i Virginia Randolph, b. 11/14-1939, Memphis, Tenn.

This child, Virginia Randolph Nickey of Memphis, is the latest to enter the Nickey Family in America, a few days before this manuscript goes to press. She is of the 8th generation of Nickeys.

Exactly one month earlier came to join the Nickey Family in America, another child, Roberta Elizabeth Nickey, dau. of Franklin Pierce II and Mary Frances (Gowdy) Nickey of Santa Ana, Calif. She is also of the 8th generation.

Addison Boyd II attended the Ford-Kilvington School for Boys, and was graduated from Washington and Lee University, class of 1929. He is a member of Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity. He owns a cotton-plantation at Laconia, Ark. His favorite sport is golf. He is a Junior Deacon in the Presbyterian Church, and a Republican in politics. Virginia Randolph (Chears) Nickey was graduated from Miss Hutchinson's school for girls in memphis. she is active in several Charity Organizations of the younger set in Memphis.

Seventh Generation, Division One

Genealogical Table

JOHN MALCOLM 7 NICKEY (Samuel Willson 6, John David 5, Christian 4, Samuel 3, David², Georg¹) b. 4/14-1903, Long Prairie, Minnesota

(1) 4/1-1925, Mabel Witty, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Witty of Larson, North Dakota.

Children:

i Florence

b. 1/25-1926

ii Claire (a son) b. ---- 1927

Divorced ---- 1931 at Bowbells, North Dakota

(2) 7/1-1938, Louisa Kellams, dau. of Ernest and Pearl Kellams of Gentryville, Indiana. She was b. 9/27-1902. She is a graduate of Montana State College, and continued study at Montana State University and the Cornish School, Seattle. She taught in the High School, Belt, Montana, ten years. At Montana State College during High School Week, 1939, she was presented with a floral tribute for introducing the system of Competitive Dancing in Montana High Schools. This art is handled much the same in High Schools as the competitive examinations for scholarships by the State College and the University at Missoula.

Children:

iii John Malcolm, Jr.

b. 4/3-1939

John Malcolm Nickey was educated in the Public Schools of Medicine Lake, Montana, and was graduated from North Dakota State Teachers College, Minot. He taught in the Public Schools of Burke County, North Dakota, for several years. Now he resides in Bozeman and is a builder and contractor.

He is not especially interested in politics, nor in religion though he studies his Bible. He is a member of Masonic Lodge No. 18 of Bozeman.

99ª GALE NICKEY (John Christian , James Henry, Christian, Samuel, David, Georg) b. 3/1-1885, Ridgeville, Indiana

d. 4/29-1910, Ridgeville, Indiana

4/22-1908, Olive Waltz, dau. of Joseph and Mary Waltz. She m. (2) Joseph Veith and resides at Walloon Lake. Michigan.

Children:

i Marvel Alton 109

b. 9/20-1909

m. ----, Dorothy McFarlane

110 ii Royce Albert

b. 11/21-1910

5/1-1937, Doris Madeliene Garrison. He is on the staff of the administrative division of the Pennsylvania Railroad with residence in Chicago. He is a graduate of Indiana University.

Seventh Generation

Genealogical Table

103 JACOB NICKEY II (Montford U.6, Allen Skillman Jacob , Samuel , David , Georg)

b. 6/15-1913, Tipton, Indiana
m. 6/17-1934, Margaret Elizabeth Bambrough, dau. of John Bambrough of Elwood, Indiana. She was president of the Phi Kappa Sorority of Elwood at the time of her marriage. The Bambroughs came to the United States of America from Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, where they were engaged in the manufacture of glass. She was b. 12/25-1915.

Children:

i Joan Lee b. 8/10-1935) Twins ii Judith Ann b. 8/10-1935

iii Kathryn Elma b. 9/26-1937

Jacob Nickey farmed for his father, Montford U. Nickey, until 1927, when he went to Muncie, Indiana, where he is employed by Ball Brothers Company at present in the electrical and general repair department.

CARL ALLEN NICKEY (Charles Franklin6, Allen Skillman5, Jacob4, Samuel3, David2, Georg1)

2/23-1897 at Clay City, Indiana 1/17-1933, Ethel Susan Biggs

Children:

i Carl Franklin b. 3/17-1934 (The eighth generation.)

ii Catherine Marie b. 3/21-1939

He is in the employ of the Maumee Collieries Company, being on the staff of mechanics. He now resides at Brazil, Indiana.



Seventh Generation

DIVISION TWO



Seventh Generation, Division Two

Genealogical Table

DONALD⁷ NICKEY (Philip A.⁶, Granville S.⁵, Jacob⁴, John³, John², Georg¹)
b. 9/21-1910, Hanover, York County, Pennsylvania
m. 1/15-1938, Cordelia Carr. He is a machinist. He and his wife are
communicants of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Hanover where they reside. He is a member of the K.P. Lodge.

Children:

i Susanna Jane b. ---- 1939

105^a KENNETH⁷ NICKEY (Philip A.⁶, Granville S.⁵, Jacob⁴, John³, John², Georg¹)
b. 11/9-1912, Hanover, York County, Pennsylvania
m. 3/?-1935, Elizabeth Wallace. He is a bank clerk. He resides in Hanover and belongs to St. Matthew's Lutheran Church and the K.P. Lodge.

Seventh Generation, Division Two

Genealogical Table

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FRANKLIN PIERCE NICKEY II (Clyde Harvey , Franklin Pierce, Henry, John, John². Georg¹)

b. 11/8-1901. m. 4/17-1925, Mary Frances Gowdy, dau. of Francis Anderson and Elizabeth Arlinda (Flora) Gowdy.

Children:

- i Franklin Pierce III, b. 10/10-1927, Santa Ana, California. ii Calvin Lloyd, b. 12/23-1930, Santa Ana, California. iii Roberta Elizabeth, 10/14-1939, Santa Ana, California.

Franklin Pierce Nickey II was graduated from the High School of Santa Ana. He is a salesman of the Standard Oil Co. at Santa Ana, where he resides. His children are the 8th generation of Nickeys in America. Franklin Pierce III is in Junior High School, Calvin Lloyd is in third grade. "We are planning on sending them to college, and Franklin Pierce III to a good law-school," writes his mother, Mary Frances Nickey. "As for Calvin, it is too early in his life to know what he should take at college." Franklin Pierce Nickey II belongs to Masonic Lodge, Silver Cord #505. He is also an honorary member of the Santa Ana Rotary Club. He is Scout Master of Troop #24, Boy Scouts. He enlisted in the Naval Aviation Service, 1919. He was honorably discharged in accordance with the disarmament in 1921, after three years service. with the disarmament in 1921, after three years service.

Seventh Generation

DIVISION THREE



Seventh Generation, Division Three Genealogical Table

PAUL MARK NICKEY (Paul A.6, Amos J.5, Benjamin F.4, George 3, George 2, Georgl)
b. 5/3-1910, Kearney Neb.
m. 9/28-1935, Marion Wallner of Monticello, Minn.

He is a college graduate. He resides at Monticello, Minn.

ALBERT GULEN⁷ NICKEY (Joseph⁶, Amos A.⁵, Benjamin F.⁴, George³, George²,

b. 2/12-1917, Big Lake, Minn.
m. 6/24-1939, Elmore Renfrow of Modesto, Calif.

Albert G. Nickey is an automobile mechanic. He resides at Modesto, Calif.



Eighth Generation

DIVISION ONE

Eighth Generation, Division One

Genealogical Table

MARVEL ALTON⁸ NICKEY (Gale⁷, John Christian⁶, James Henry⁵, Christian⁴, Samuel I³, David², Georg¹)

b. 9/20-1909, Ridgeville, Ind.

m. 6/4-1932, Dorothy McFarlane, dau. of William and Viola McFarlane of La Grange, Illinois. She was b. 6/22-1910, at Chicago. She attended the Englewood High School of Chicago.

Children:

i Richard Allen b. 8/23-1935, at Chicago, Ill.

Marvel A. Nickey is Traveling Freight and Passenger Agent of the Penna. R.R., stationed at New Orleans, La., where he resides on historic Bruxelles Street.

He is distinguished as the father of Richard Allen Nickey who is the firstcomer of the Ninth Generation of Nickey men, and who will always head the list of that generation in these United States of America, now mostly unborn.

He belongs to these semi-professional clubs: New Orleans Traffic Club, New Orleans Passenger Club, Bruxelles Booster Club. He is affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal Church. In politics, he is a Republican. He plays golf.

He writes:

I am not a graduate of Indiana University, having been employed by the American Telephone & Telegraph Co., (Long Lines Department), Chicago, Ill., from Sept., 1928 to Sept., 1929, following my graduation from Jefferson High School, Ward Twp., Randolph Co., Ind., in the spring of 1928.

I started work with the Penna. R. R. in the General Freight Office, Chicago, Ill., on the ninth day of the ninth month of the year 1929, at the age of 19 (if that means anything). With the exception of the period dating June 15, 1932, to Oct. 1, 1933, my services have been with the Penna. R. R. up to and including the present time. I did not have sufficient service to forestall furlough in 1932. I was stationed at Indianapolis, Ind., from Sept. 1, 1937, till March 1st of this year, as Freight Representative for the Penna. R. R. My duties here at New Orleans consist of traveling parts of Mississippi and Louisiana in an effort to influence the transportation of passengers and freight via the Penna. R. R. at the nearest junction with railroads serving this territory.

The above sketch had just been completed, when, effective, 1/1-1940Marvel A. Nickey received a promotion. The Pennsylvania Railroad advanced him to traveling freight agent at Chicago. His office is in Union Station, that city, and he has taken a residence at Leagrange Park, Illinois.

Ninth Generation, Children

Genealogical Table

RICHARD ALLEN9 NICKEY

b. 8/23-1935, at Chicago, Illinois. He is the son of Marvel Alton (108) and Dorothy (McFarlane) Nickey, q.v.

He is the First-Born NICKEY of the Ninth Generation, who will always have the distinction of heading his generation. May this boy march straight ahead into the Presidency of this, his Country.

His lineage: Marvel Alton⁸, Gale⁷, John Christian⁶, James Henry⁵, Christian⁴, Samuel I³, David², Georg Niecke¹.

DONNA DARLENE HAZZARD⁹ b. 10/1-1928.

GARY RICHARD HAZZARD⁹ b. 2/2-1931.

They are the First-Born OTHER NAMES of the descendants in the Nickey family. They are the children of William and Louise (Knight) Hazzard who trace their lineage back to Mary Ann Elizabeth (Nickey) Tulley, eldest dau. of Samuel I and Anna Catherine (Balsley) Nickey of Division One, Third Generation, q. v.

CAROL LEE HUMBARGER 9 b. 1935?

KENT LEROY HUMBARGER⁹ b. 1937?

Sons of Marcella (Tulley) Humbarger, trace their lineage back to Mary Ann Elizabeth (Nickey) Tulley eldest dau. of Samuel I, and Anna Catherine (Balsley) Nickey, of Division One, Third Generation, q.v.

JERRY LEE WALKER⁹ b. 6/28-1939

Son of Maxine E. (Galbreath) and Theodore Walker of Elkhart, Ind. This babe traces his lineage back to Anna Catherine Nickey, the youngest dau. of Samuel and Anna Catherine (Balsley) Nickey, of Division One, Third Generation, q.v.

JO ANN WOLF9

Dau. of Edgar and Mary (Mackey) Wolf of Hampton, Pennsylvania. She traces her lineage to Jacob Nickey (17) of Division Two, Fourth Generation, q.v.

Summary

Contrary to the majority of the Colonial immigrants the Nickeys did not come to the New World seeking land and wealth. Neither did they flee religious persecution, like the Pilgrims. Under direct orders of the Moravian "Economy" at Herrnhut Saxony they came to be religious teachers and preachers. At the time, the Pennsylvania Colonists were in great need of this help. The young, born in the pioneer conditions, everywhere, up and down the Atlantic Coast, in the early 1700's, without schools and churches, were growing up in ignorance and rowdyism.

Disillusioned, however, of their rather high-flown ideals, by tragic failure as to teaching and preaching under orders of the Moravian "Economy" and by the death of their infant children in the unhappy pioneer conditions, the Nickeys tried more practical methods.

By some procedure, not now to be learned, they left Bethlehem and got them a toe hold in the New World, a small tract of land in Lancaster County, on the very frontier, as it existed then, in Pennsylvania. But the frontier was moving west every day, at that time; the tide of people moving in and around them, or on beyond them, gave them a busy life in teaching, preaching; in the pastoral services of the sacraments, baptism of the young, marriage, and burial of the dead; in writing of deeds, wills, and other legal documents; and even in buying up and selling off small parcels of land. So, in a small way, but helpful, they became Community Leaders. Their names are written into the Archives of historical Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

Religious Interests

Both Georg Niecke and Johanna Eleonore Donath were born and brought up Evangelical Lutherans. However, the intense interest and activity of Count Zinzindorff, their local ruler, in the pietistic thought and movements of the day, claimed their youthful attention. In a short period after their marriage in perfect agreement, they entered the Headquarters of the Moravian Economy to take the training, hoping to become religious leaders in the New World.

When they abandoned this work, 1750, their religious interest had not lapsed. Their three sons, and their descendants have carried on; who have manifested religious feeling in both private and public ways; who are ardent churchmen, now ministers and missionaries to foreign lands; now building a pioneer church out of their own pockets. Again they are deacons, or leaders of the young people, superintendents and teachers in the Sunday Schools; always trusted financial supporters of the Churches to which they have attached themselves. These churches have been, earlier, the more democratic in organization, the Methodist Episcopal, the United Brethren in Christ, and the German Baptist Brethren. But as time passed we find them communicants in the Presbyterian and the Episcopalian organizations.

Educational Interests

Georg and Johanna Eleonore Niecke came to America as teachers, educated above the average well-to-do Bourgeois class to which, plainly, they belonged. David Nickey, their oldest son, who was reared in the Home and School for the children at Herrnhut, received medical training. Perhaps it was equal to the best, then, in Saxony outside of the Universities. His library contained medical books in the German language that always had left an awed impression on those who later mentioned them. This knowledge and these books he passed on to his son, Samuel Nickey. Whether Samuel ever studied in the early medical schools at Philadelphia, or not, at least he "read medicine" with his father, and his contemporaries accorded him the professional title "Dr. Samuel Nickey." This tendency to go into medicine still persists among his descendants, some being doctors, some nurses.

Long before the great days of higher education, when all the young "go to college", the history shows that now and then a Nickey would "go away to college", and make himself an educational leader. After the turn of the twentieth century it will be seen that most of the Nickeys are college-bred as a matter of fact, and that they are significant in the professional fields

of higher learning.

But the PRIDEFUL THING, to be observed, is that the Nickeys, pioneering through the Middle West in the days when the Public School System was expanding into highly standardized Secondary Schools, and into huge State Universities and Normal Schools, at terrific pace and terrific taxes on the citizens, never a Nickey voice was raised in protest. Instead the Nickeys have voted and paid and supported the Administrations that created and built these American Institutions, even when, and to the extent, that their own children had to "work their way" through them.

Geographical Interests

The Nickeys, as they say it "get around". Among the early travelers, or tourists as we say today, was Harrison Clay Nickey of Randolph County, Indiana. He saw a large part of our World. His father's wedding journey, 1876, extremely interesting is in the test. Franklin Pierce Nickey, though born near Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, 1853, was located at Santa Ana, California, and selling hardware by 1887. Since then, he too, has seen the World. Samuel Mossman Nickey Sreregistered, and sailed with the first luxury liner chartered to make a Round the World Cruise, 1909. Lesser extensive tours, and European travel, are common, these, mentioned to prove the point.

Political Interests

Never have the Nickeys aspired to public office. This must be modified in case of local affairs, in which they have taken a strong hand, in politics and in administration. But there are no Nickey Congressmen, neither State* nor National, and not a Nickey in the White House. This may be associated with the fact that they have not entered the legal profession.

^{*} Exceptions exist in Division One:

Cyrus Balsley Tulley represented his County in the Indiana State
Legislature--1872-1874; 1878-1880.

Dr. Henry Nickey Rice represented his County in the Minnesota State Legislature--1876-1878.

Occupational Interests

These are modified by the drift of time; likewise by the drift of residence moving across the Continent; however, they remain in persistent grooves, which are three, as follows:

1700 A.D.---1800 A.D.

AGRICULTURE

HAND-SKILLS

PROFESSIONS

Johann Niecke of Sohland Saxony, over-seer of an Estate. His grandson, George Nickey, Cumberland Co., Pennsylvania, land owner, farmer. Johann Christoph Donath, Reichenbach, Saxony, a Master-Clothmaker. Georg Niecke, Reichenbach, Master-Tailor. John Nickey, his son, a linen weaver.

Georg Niecke, at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, a teacher and preacher. David Nickey, his son, a Medical-man and an expert protho-notary.

1800 A.D.----1900 A.D.

The Nickeys become true farmers. Acquire larger land-holdings. Seek land in the Public-Domain. Migrate to Indiana, Illinois, and Minnesota.

The Industrial Revolution
The Nickeys operate sawmills, flouring-mills;
install electric-light
plants; become R.R.
engineers; become
machinists.

The Nickeys ordained
Ministers of the Gospel.
Missionaries to India.
Physicians and surgeons.
Many public school teachers.
County superintendents of
schools. High school
principals.

1900 A.D.---1940 A.D.

Many general, or diversified farmers. Animal husbandry. Dairy farming. Cotton planters. Distributors of farm machinery. Kennels, Dog-fanciers.

The Machine Age
Civil Engineers,
Electrical Engineers,
Chemical Engineers,
Auto-mechanics, Aeromechanics, Miningmechanics, Lumberindustrialists, Dentists,
Expert watch and jewelry
mechanics, Artists-truly gifted in the fine
arts.

Ordained Ministers.
Medical missionaries.
Educators (Administration).
College professors. Professional nurses. Social service workers. Representatives and Agents of Corporations and Companies.
Public Accountants.
Authors and Writers.

Military Interests

From the War for Independence to the War of 1812, to the Civil War, and the Great World War the Nickeys have a record of participation. But they are, by nature, and inheritance, pacific in attitude.

REVOLUTIONARY WAR

- David Nickey -- a medical attendant in Hospital Camps Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. (Proved, but Records lost.)
- John Nickey--Private, First Battalion, Third Company, Lancaster Co. Militia. Thomas Robinson, First Lieutenant. 1779, 1781, 1782, and 1783.
- George Nickey II--Seventh Battalion, Third Company, 7th Class,
 Lancaster County Muster Rolls, 1781-1783. Colonel, Alexander
 Lowry.

WAR OF 1812

Samuel Nickey I--Records in the Adjutant General's Office, Washington D.C., show that Samuel Nickey of Augusta County, Virginia, served as a private in a Company designated at various times as Captain Alexander R. Givens' and Lieutenant Samuel Crawford's Company, 5th Regiment (McDowell's) Virginia Militia. His service commenced August 30, 1814, and ended December 9, 1814.

CIVIL WAR

- James H. Rice--100th Indiana Volunteers 1862 to end of War.
- Henry Nickey Rice--74th Indiana Volunteers, Company B. throughout the War.
- Ezra Rice--17th Indiana Regiment, a Recruit, 3/9-1864 to end of the War.
 - The last two marched with Sherman to the Sea.
- Granberry Barden Nickey-a Volunteer from Randolph County, Indiana, died in the service.
- Harrison Clay Nickey -- a Volunteer from Randolph County, served throughout the War.
- Allison Briggs -- 74th Indiana Volunteers, Company B. throughout the War.
 - (Pennsylvania and Illinois Records are yet to be searched.)

GREAT WORLD WAR

- Karlton I. Pidgeon--18th Field Artillery, 3rd Division, Battery C. Overseas. Severely wounded. Cited for bravery. Decorated with all the honors of France and United States.
- Sidney E. Ort-Company C. 309th Field Signal Battallion stationed at Atlanta, Georgia. On special duty as auditor. Entered with first draft from Whitley Co., Indiana. Served throughout the War. Rank, 1st Lieutenant. Mustered out June, 1919, at Camp Sherman.
- Clarence Oscar Becker--World War Service 3/28-1917--5/30-1919.

 Discharged, Camp Grant, Rockford, Illinois, 5/30-1919. Service overseas 13 months. Rank, Quartermaster Sargeant 1st Grade, ae. 20, of the Headquarters Division, the 33rd Division (Illinois).
- David Christian Stemen--Rank, Lieutenant. Graduated from American Cavalry School in France. Assigned to 101st Field Artillery, 26th Division, Battery E. Massachusetts National Guards. The first Division to reach France, and which fought on every front. (Died of tuberculosis contracted in the service.)
- Jay Frank Nickey--Overseas service. 111th Infantry, Company L. Pennsylvania. He was Corporal for fifteen months. Honorably discharged 1919.
- Franklin Pierce Nickey II -- Enlisted in the Naval Aviation Service 1919 (California). He was honorably discharged in accordance with the disarmament in 1921, after three years of service.
- Robert Edward Milligan--Midshipman, United States Naval Academy. He entered the Fourth Class June, 1917, on his 17th birthday. Beccause of the War this Class was required to complete the four year's course in three years. R. E. Milligan, under this tense training, incurred disability, which unfitted him for an officer's duty. He was honorably discharged June 1, 1920. He was declared eligible to vocational training and War Compensation. He was recommended to chemical engineering, which he took at the University of Illinois.
- Herman E. Mayrose--Enlisted 6/6-1917, Co. H. 3rd Illinois Infantry, afterward Co. H 129th U. S. Infantry, 33rd Division. He arrived in France May 1918. He was appointed Corporal and Company Clerk 8/2-1917, and held this until discharged at Camp Grant, 6/6-1919. In France he was in the Meuse-Argonne Major Offensive from Sept. 26 to November 11, 1918, forty-five days. It included these engagements: Dannevoux - Gercourt - Sept. 26-Oct. 9, 1918. Bois de Chaume - Bois de Plat Chene - October 10th, 1918. With XVII French Corps on East Bank of Meuse, October 11th to 21st, 1918. 21st to 23rd - enroute to Troyon Sector, Woevre District - 24th of Oct. to 9th of Nov., 1918, Marcheville -Riaville - St. Hilaire - Chateau d'Aulnois, Nov. 10th and 11th, 1918. He was in three Minor offensives: The Somne Sector, Albert Sector, and Verdun Sector-Hill 304. He was with the Army of Occupation in Luxembourg. He rendered exactly two full years of service.

GREAT WORLD WAR

- Lt. Col. Renn M. Lawrence-Enlisted in U. S. Army, Chicago, 8/18-1915.

 He chose the Cavalry, hoping to see active service in Mexico. He was appointed to 12th Cavalry, stationed in Texas. He served as private in the 12th; as Corporal and Sargeant in the 16th. He was appointed 2nd Lieutenant, 3/19-1917; 1st Lieutenant, 5/15-1917; Captain 8/8-1917; Major 11/?-1925; Lieutenant Colonel 6/12-1939. Upon appointment as commissioned Officer, he chose the Seventh Cavalry because it was General Custer's last command. From June, 1919, to January, 1920, he was stationed in France. In the U. S. he has served successively in the 4th, 10th, 6th, 2nd, and 3rd Cavalry Regiments in Texas, Arizona, Georgia, Kansas, and Virginia. He writes: "I regret that this record is not more replete with campaigns and honors, but all soldiers of 'Uncle Sam' do not have the luck to participate in active campaigning. Perhaps my opportunity may still come."
- Paul Raymond Guirl--Enlisted 4/16-1917, first with the 108th Engineers, but was transferred to Mechanic Co. H, 129th Infantry, 33rd Division. He was in four major offensive engagements in the Meuse-Argonne Sector. Although his Company was reduced from 202 men to 8 men in one engagement, he was one of the 8. He was in five minor offensives, and with the Army of Occupation in Luxembourg. On the 11th of November during an engagement, he rescued a wounded scout and with a few men held back the enemy. Later he received a citation for this from General Bell of his Division. He was awarded the Victory Medal. He was discharged at Camp Grant, 6/6-1919.

 (See the photostat of his war record.)
- Luther D. Miller--Entered the World War by draft from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. He was transferred from his first Company. He did not get overseas. He was at New York ready to go on board a transport when the Armistice was declared. He remained in the Army some time longer, and later was invalided. He is at present an inmate in the State Hospital at Coatsville, Pennsylvania. His sacrifice for his country remains more tragic than death at the Front.
- Howard Francis Gould--Enlisted with the Stanford University Unit for the Great World War. He was overseas. With the Stanford University Unit he was stationed at Milan, Italy, in the ambulance service.
- Robert S. Nickey--Enlisted May 21, 1918, at York, Pennsylvania; was appointed Sergeant on Oct. 18, 1918. He served in France with the American Expeditionary Forces as Sergeant of Service Park Unit 407, Motor Transport Corps, 28th Division. Sailed from U. S. for overseas Sept. 1, 1918, arrived back in U. S. July 11, 1919 and received his Honorable Discharge at Camp Dix, New Jersey, July 16, 1919. While in France he served in the Meuse-Argonne Offensive, Sept. 28-Oct. 7, 1918; and Thiaucourt Sector, October 15-November 11, 1918.
- Eldred Siltman -- Enlisted with troops from North Dakota and Minnesota.

 Overseas. Died in France.

Commercial Interests

The money-making instinct is innate in the Nickeys. So keen is it that it pulls them from any vocational interests as the North Star attracts the magnetic needle. In farming, the Nickeys never cultivate and till the soil for the love of the good earth, or nature. They hire others. They turn it interests and buy up sheep and cattle which they ship by car loads to the great markets. Or they breed fine stock. Simon P. Nickey entered Dickinson College to prepare for the Ministry. After two years he visited his brothers in Macon County, Illinois, and beholding the money making chances there, forgot about college and the ministry. John Ely More held an enviable position on the Princeton University Staff, but he left it to install big Utility Electrical Projects for more money. Allen Skillman Nickey was a successful physician and surgeon, but he gave up practice to breed blooded stock and barter in farm lands.

The Nickeys have amassed good sized fortunes. In their trade-lines they have often become real industrialists as the word is used today.

Social Interests

The families are clannish. They are people of strong convictions. They make excellent home life. They are good-livers. They usually have full, open countenances. They often belong to the Shriners, the swankiest of Fraternal Orders, or to the Elks.

Maintenance of Standards

As in each great institution, so in each great family, the maintenance of standards is a prime obligation. In the fields in which the Nickeys have already succeeded there is more to be done to safeguard present achievement. It may be necessary for Nickeys to participate more freely in government administration, and in the maintenance of American Democracy. Again, the Nickey Family should seek to give itself an outlet of expression by entering journalism. In the field of the fine arts there seems to be an "awakening" when one woman has deliberately trained for Commercial Art as a career, and three Nickey college undergraduates have deliberately chosen to win a degree in the fine arts. (Louise (Nickey) Grant, Roscoe Nickey Brumbaugh, Kitty Ann Metsker, and Kathleen Adair Sanders.)

Lest we forget, the field in which the Founders of the Nickey Family in America began, making record tests of endurance to carry out their high ideals two centuries too early, in the Church, there is need for trained minds, and financial contribution.

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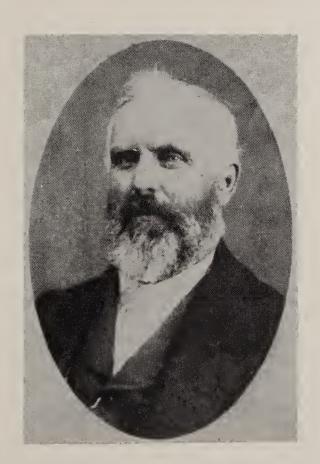
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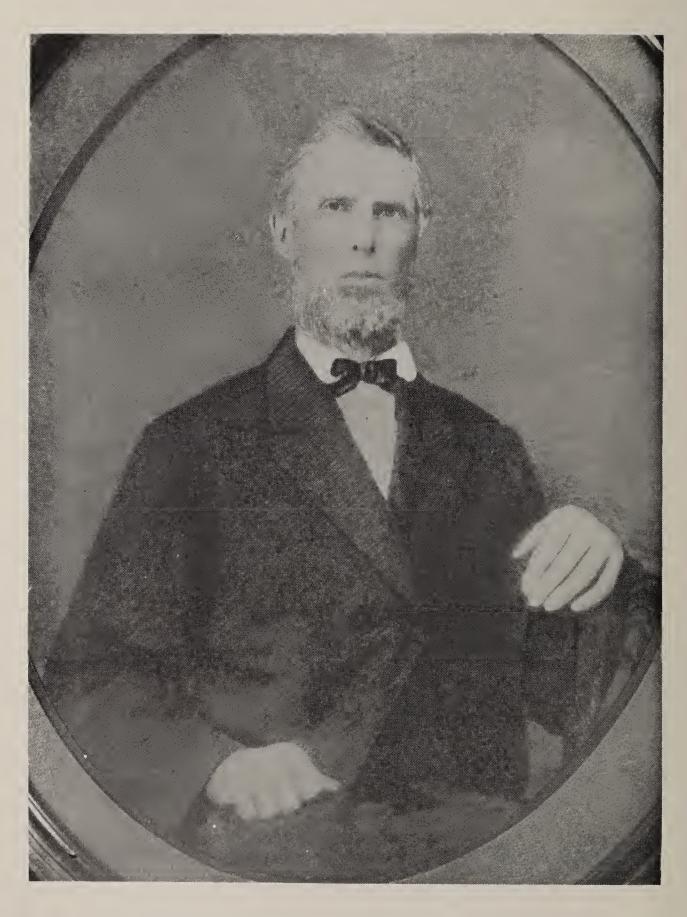


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Left, Mrs. A. J. Nickey kight, Mrs. S. G. Nickey

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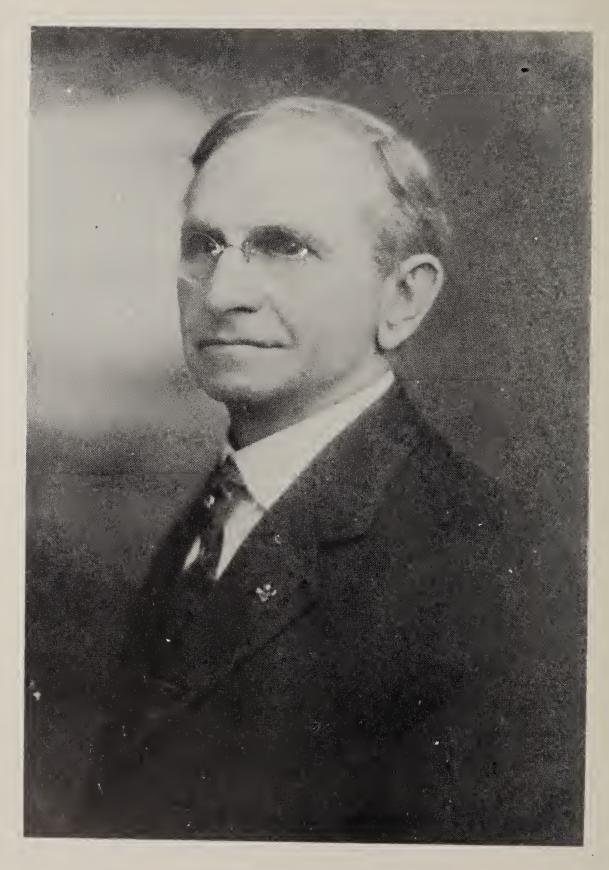
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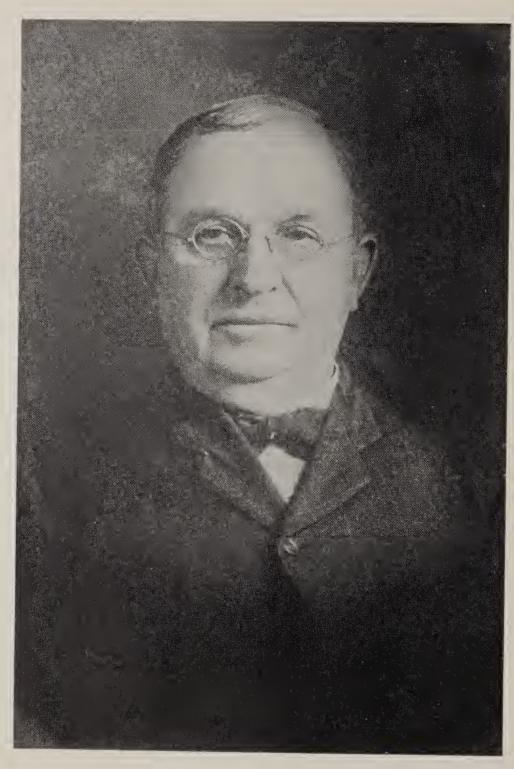
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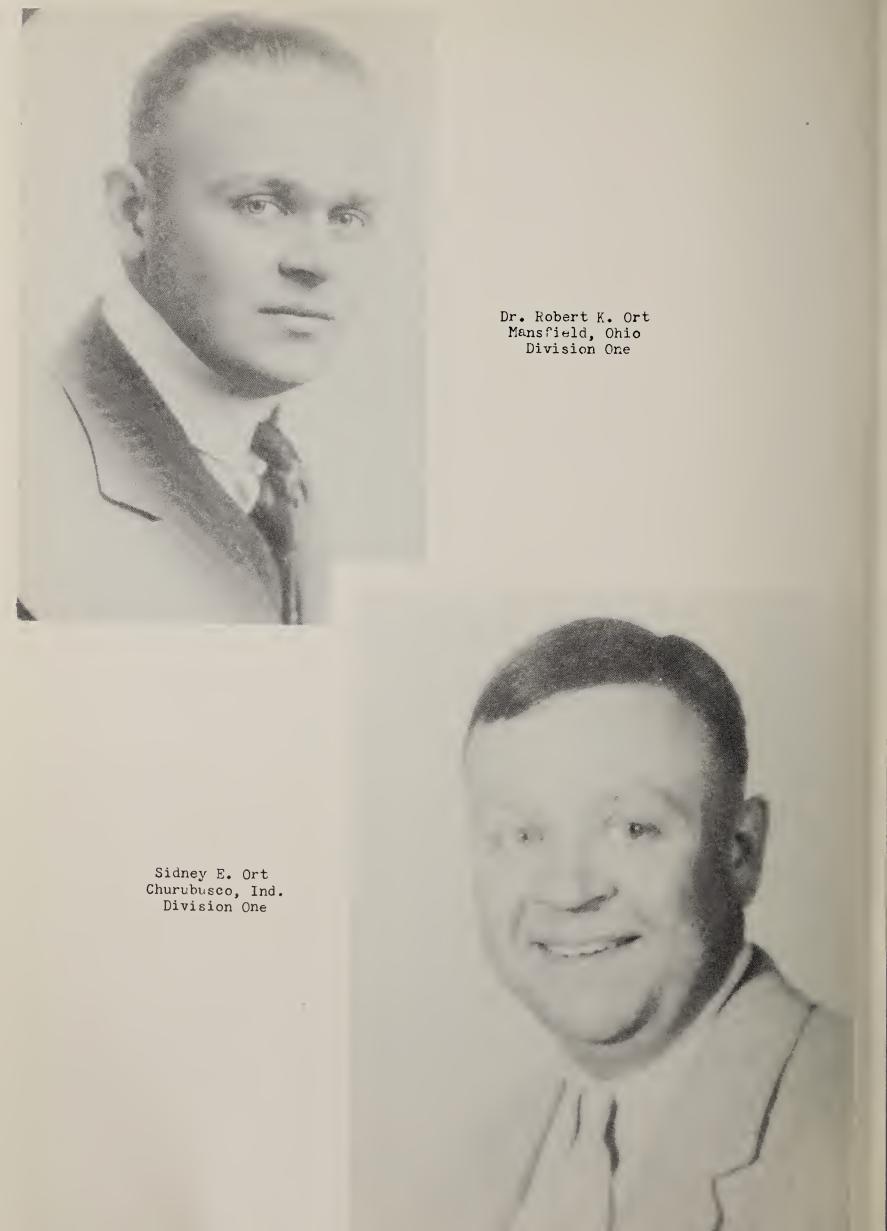
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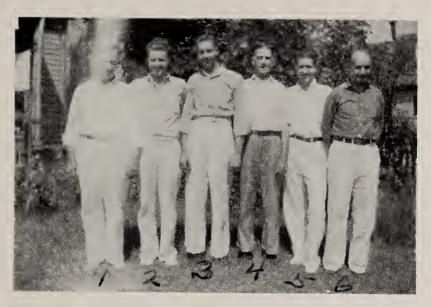


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Oscar W. Reazer and his sons
He is third from right
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Mrs. Ernest Wright (Rheua Nickey) and her sons arrive at the University of Wisconsin



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Elnora Tully Pidgeon Knight Alla A. Pidgeon Knight Louise Knight Hazzard Donna D. Hazzard

Los Angeles, California





Left to right: Herschel B. Nickey: his wife Grace; Minnie Nickey, wife of W. H. Nickey; Lucille M. Nickey; Golda Parkett, sister of Mrs. W. H. Nickey; Mrs. George Nickey; Arthur Grubbs; his wife Gertrude Nickey Grubbs. Mr. George Nickey took the picture. All are of Decatur, Illinois



Mrs. Alta Pidgeon Knight celebrates her 56th birthday in Orange County Park, California. She turns and faces you. At the extreme right will be seen Mrs. Elnora E. Knight, her mother.



Residence of Mrs. Harry A. Little (Mary Catherine Nickey) Winchester Place, Westminster, Md.

Mrs. Nickey writes: "This happens to be the back view of the house. Mr. Nickey is standing at the window(left). The rest are neighbor children."



Residence of Rev. Samuel G. Nickey Colorado Springs, Colorado

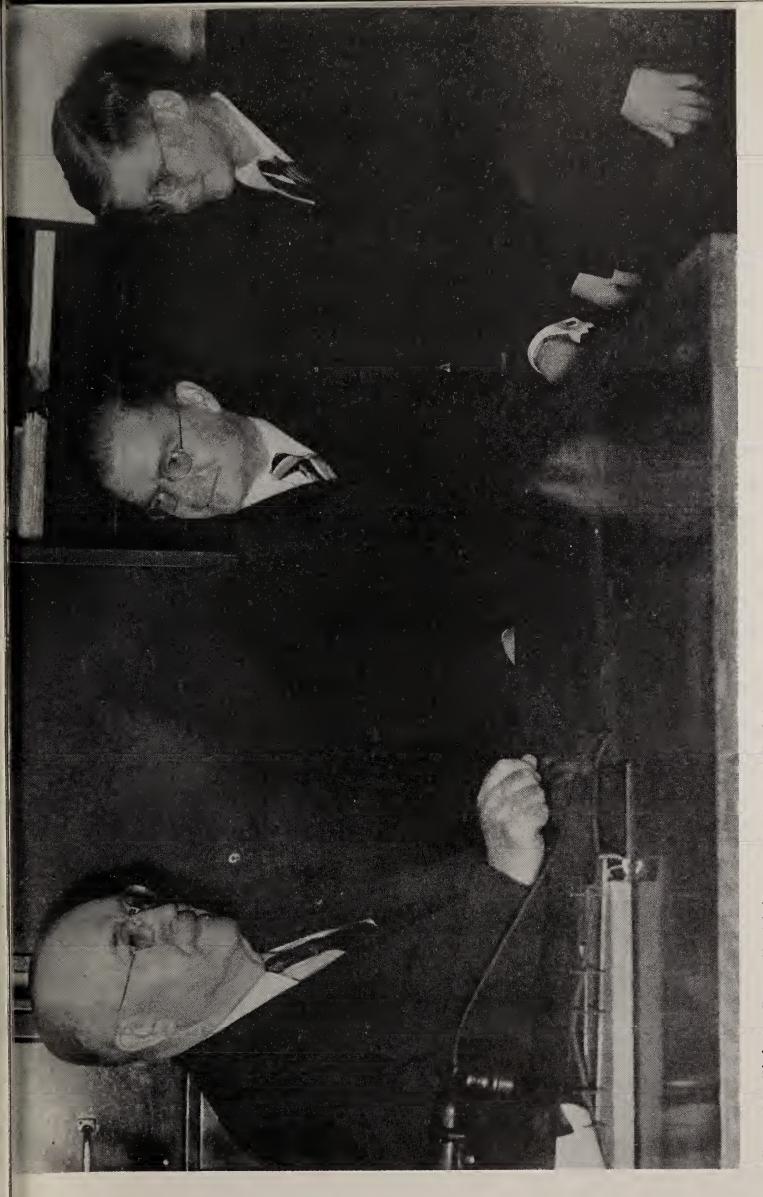




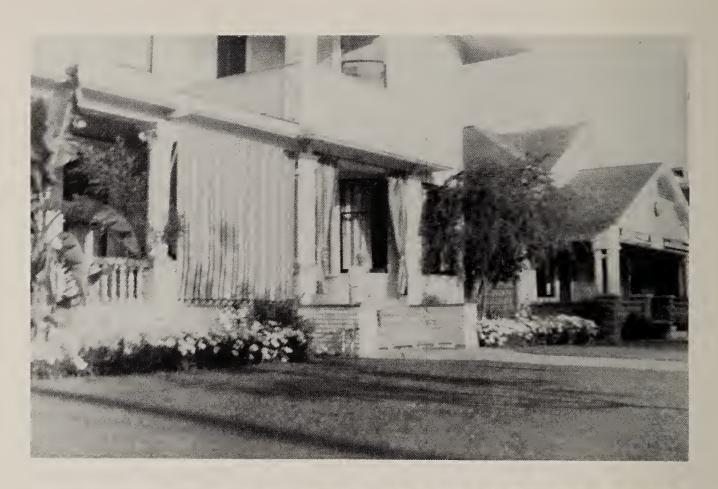


Above, left: Mrs. Herman E. Mayrose right: Mrs. Estelle Wood, Mrs. Charles Welsheimer, g.dau., and Bobby Welsheimer, g.g.son

Below: Home of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Guirl, Mr. and Mrs. Guirl, left.



Harry W. Nickey, Harry W. Nickey, Jr., Harry W. Nickey III





Above: Residence of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Pierce Nickey, Santa Ana, Calif.

Below: Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Pierce Nickey

Rev. Samuel G. Nickey Colorado Springs, Colorado Division Three





Dr. Barbara Nickey Dahann, India Division Three



Clay Franklin Nickey Clay City, Indiana

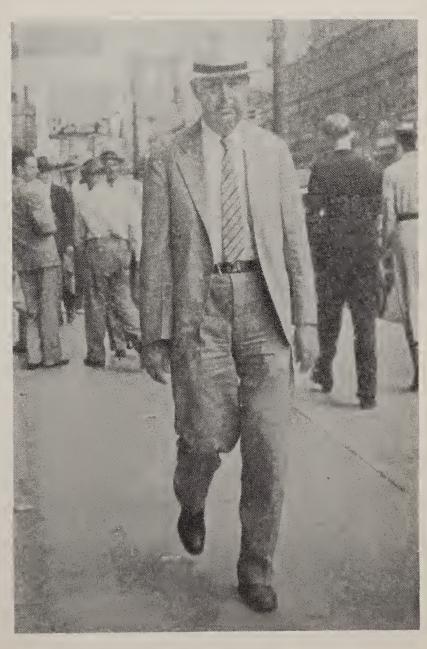


Right to left: C. Franklin Nickey, Mrs. C. Franklin Nickey, dau. Mary Ruth Church, son Karl Franklin Nickey, dau. Lola Eugene Wiggins, dau. Edith Ampere Holdefer



Clinton D. Nickey Son of Andrew Nickey Division Two

Frederick C. Metzger Dallas, Texas Division One





Franklin Pierce Nickey Clyde H. Nickey, son Franklin Pierce Nickey, Jr. Franklin Pierce Nickey III



Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Mossman Nickey (right) receive for their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Jeter Eason. At the extreme left is Mrs. Andrew Wilson Eason, mother of the groom, and next in line is Mrs. Samuel Mossman Nickey, Jr.



Mrs. Marvel Alton Nickey and Mr. Nickey Center: Richard Allen Nickey, who heads the Ninth Generation















